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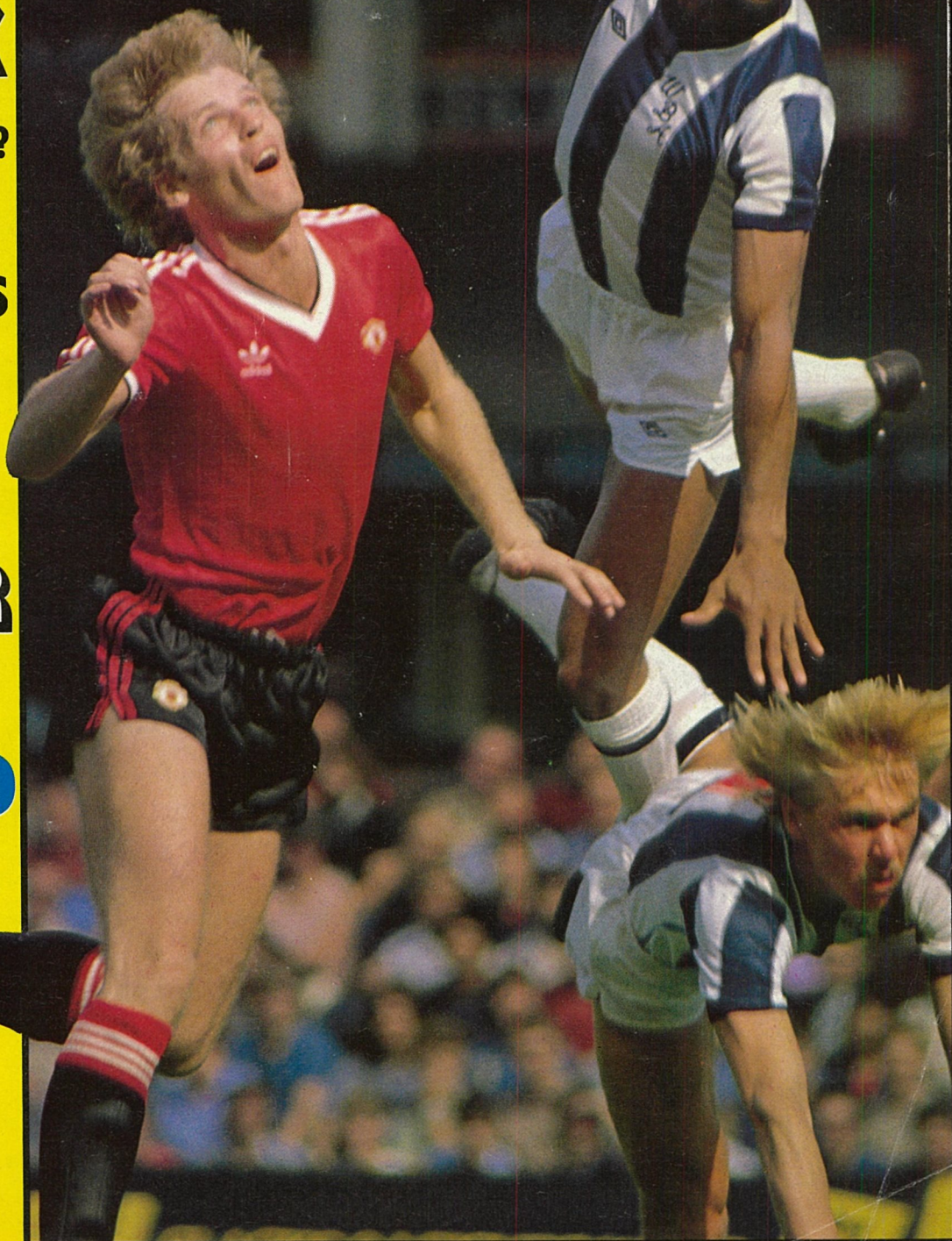
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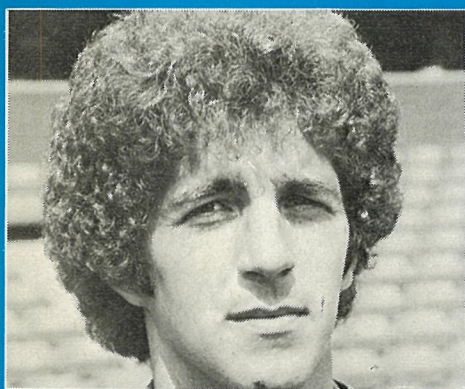
GOALKEEPER Neil Freeman goes into tiny Northampton's dream tie with European Champions' Aston Villa knowing that it could be his last ever FA Cup match.

The former Birmingham star looks set to give up the game and join the Police Force at an age when most goalkeepers are just beginning to reach their peak.

The 28-year-old explains: "I'll be sad to leave football but I've become a little disillusioned with the game."

Neil suffered the double heartbreak of being sent off twice this season as Football League referees imposed the new 'get-tough' policy on the professional foul.

"It will take me a long time to get over the game. I'll miss it, but I've got to look to the future. I've got to



Northampton goalkeeper Neil Freeman — realises his club's tie against Aston Villa could be his last game in the FA Cup.

provide security for my wife and family for the next 30 years, not the next three.

"The Villa game could be my last Cup tie but I won't be thinking about that on the day. The only thing in my mind will be to do my best for Northampton.

"If that game is my farewell to the competition I can't ask for a bigger occasion in which to bow out," says Neil, who joined Northampton in the close season after being released by neighbouring Peterborough.

Neil is currently playing for 'The Cobblers' as a non-contract player and was brought to the County ground as a replacement for injured Mark Kendall.

"I'm thoroughly enjoying my stay here and I'll be really sad to leave. There's a great set of lads at Northampton and it's a very friendly club.

"The tie against Villa is the icing on the cake. Northampton haven't had a big game like this for years.

"The town is really buzzing and I'm expecting a tremendous atmosphere on the day. It should be quite an occasion."

The last time Northampton had such a big game was back in the 1969-70 season when mighty Manchester United were the visitors. They lost the game 8-2 and a certain George Best marked his comeback from suspension by scoring six goals.

"All we can do against Villa is try our hardest. Even a draw will be a moral victory for us," says Neil, "but there's no way we'll be embarrassed by them.

"Aston Villa could have been coming here as World Club Champions — that's the great side they are. It's going to be very difficult for us to get a result.

"Having said that, the FA Cup is a great leveller and, on the day form and status count for nothing. It's 11 men against 11."

Neil, who made 31 League appearances for Birmingham, faced Villa once in his career at St

SATURDAY sees the big one in the FA Cup when soccer's minnows are thrown into combat against the League's giants.

Third Round day is one of anticipation and excitement

Andrews and was on the losing side when a solitary goal from Gordon Cowans settled the encounter.

"That was in the 1978-79 season as we were battling desperately against relegation to the Second Division," recalls Neil.

"They fielded the basis of the team which has been so successful over the last couple of seasons. In the side that day were Jimmy Rimmer, Allan Evans, Gordon Cowans and current skipper Dennis Mortimer.

"Being a goalkeeper, I obviously look at Jimmy Rimmer. He's very dependable and you never see him have a bad game."

Northampton earned the money-spinning draw with Villa when they beat Third Division Gillingham 3-2 in an exciting replay at the County Ground.

In true FA Cup fashion, the game produced plenty of thrills and also an unlikely hero in local boy Frank Belfron.

The 18-year-old came on as substitute for his first senior appearance and stunned 'The Gills' with two goals.

"Frank's performance was tremendous. He's one of a few good young lads on the books at Northampton. If the club can keep them together, their future looks bright.

"The result could depend on the performances of the younger players who've never played in front of a big crowd. They could rise to the occasion or freeze.

"But we've also got a couple of players who've seen it before. Winger Mark Heeley has played at the highest level with Arsenal so we won't be completely green."

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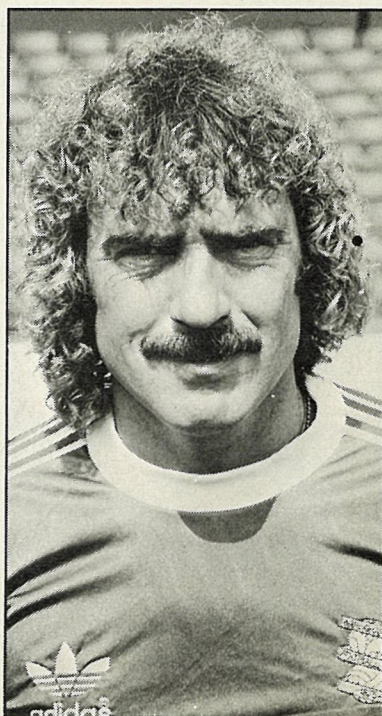
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Walsall player-coach Gary Pendrey — he'd love to be in the starting line-up against his old club Birmingham.

DREAM TIE FOR PENDREY

FIFTEEN years of happy memories will come flooding back for Gary Pendrey when Third Division Walsall take on nearby Birmingham in an FA Cup tie with a local derby flavour.

The Walsall player-coach made over 300 League appearances for 'The Blues' and he admits: "This tie is really special for me.

"I couldn't believe it when I heard the draw as the team were coming back from their tie with North Shields. It's a bit like a dream.

"I had 15 great years at St Andrews and it would be fabulous if I could actually play in the game. It would be the first time I've played against them since I left three years ago."

Gary has only made a handful of first team appearances this season but he says: "Because Walsall

have got such a small squad of players, I'm in contention for a place.

"I still enjoy playing but now I'm concentrating more on the coaching side at Fellows Park," says the 33-year-old.

"Phil Hawker and Kevin Summerfield, who are on loan to Walsall from Birmingham, won't be eligible to play so that obviously improves my chances of getting into the team.

"It's going to be a difficult game — we're under no illusions about that. They are a big city club while we are a little town club on the outskirts.

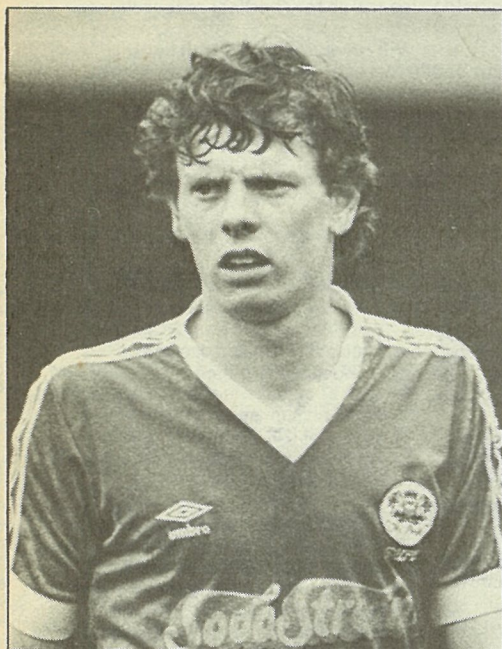
"We want to win the tie and go into the next round, but if we don't I'd love to see my old team go on and win the FA Cup.

"All the pressure will be on Birmingham. I wouldn't like to be a 'Blues' player coming to Walsall on Saturday. They are expected to win, and win quite easily.

"There's going to be a fantastic atmosphere at Fellows Park. Manager Alan Buckley says it's a great experience playing in front of a packed house at Walsall.

"We've had the pressure of being the big boys — now we've got the chance to enjoy the tie. In the two previous rounds, the lads played Kettering and South Shields and were nervous that

for the would-be giantkillers and 'Match' turns the spotlight on four such ties . . . through the eyes of four players with extra special reasons for wanting to do well.



Peterborough striker Robbie Cooke — he has a great goalscoring record in the FA Cup and wants to extend it against Luton.

FORMER Luton loanee Robbie Cooke goes back to Kenilworth Road on Saturday eager to show the First Division club what they missed . . . and so keep up his goal-a-round record.

The Peterborough hot-shot — he's already scored three goals in the competition — hoped this spell with the 'Hatters' earlier this season would lead to a permanent move as he sought to climb out of the Fourth Division.

But he found himself back at London Road at the end of a month of reserve team football and the 25-year-old striker admits: "Things didn't work out quite the way I might have hoped. Naturally I was looking forward to getting a game or two in the First Division.

"Luton took me on loan with a view to signing me, but at the end of the month they were prepared to let me go back to Peterborough."

Robbie denies however that he has anything to prove when he returns to face Luton in the Cup: "Some people might say that my time there was wasted but I don't see it that way.

"I was in a rut at Peterborough and wanted to get away but the change of environment did me a power of good.

"I realised that I was better off playing first team football. I wouldn't have wanted to stay at Luton simply as cover and now I'm just happy to be in the action again."

While his contract at Peterborough expires at the end of this season, Robbie is now off the transfer list and eager to help the 'Posh' build up another of their famous Cup runs.

"I don't want to prove any personal points although naturally I hope I play well against Luton because it's good to be judged against higher grade opposition.

"It's the team as a whole that's important and we think we can go there and upset them a little.

"We know what they are capable of doing if they are allowed to play but while they can score goals, the records show they are prone to conceding a few too."

COOKE WILL MAKE IT HOT FOR LUTON

And that's where Peterborough and their fans hope goal-getter Robbie can cash in.

When 'Posh' reached the Fifth Round in 1980-81, only to lose to Manchester City, Robbie netted in four ties. He bagged two as the club reached the Third Round last season and now he's on the goal train again.

"Naturally it would be marvellous to score on Saturday and Luton's goals-against record shows their defence could be stronger.

"But the main thing is that we give a good account of ourselves as a team. We'll be hoping to contain them for the first 20 minutes or so with a view to hitting them on the break because we know they like to throw a lot of men forward.

"Obviously being the home side, the pressure will be on them to score and the longer we can frustrate them the better our chances will be.

"Their fans will be expecting them to win easily, but Fourth Division teams have beaten First Division opposition before. It's all down to what happens on the day."

GOLIATH

they'd become giantkiller victims.

"Even though Birmingham are struggling at the bottom of the First Division, they've got some very good players and I rate their manager Ron Saunders as one of the best in the League.

"The club are going through a transitional period. Since taking over last season, Ron Saunders has made a lot of changes but he's not been helped by injuries to key players.

"Walsall are also having a tough time in the Third Division so the FA Cup has given us some relief from the pressure of picking up points.

"In many ways, we are in the same position as Birmingham. Manager Alan Buckley released a lot of his experienced players at the end of last season and it's taken the new lads time to settle."

Gary, who turned down a chance to become player coach at Bristol Rovers last season, is thoroughly enjoying his now role at Walsall.

He says: "In the current economic climate, I just consider myself lucky to have a job in football."

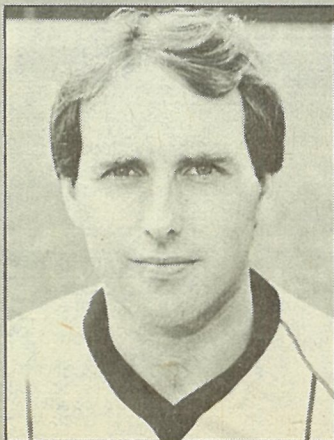
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NEWPORT County take on mighty Everton on Saturday looking for revenge following defeat at the hands of the First Division side in the Milk Cup.

And for skipper John Relish, it's another chance for him to put one over on the side which rejected him as a 15-year-old starry-eyed youngster.

As the tiny Welsh club look



John Relish — gets his second chance to put one over on his boyhood idols when Newport play First Division Everton.

COUNTY SKIPPER RELISHES EVERTON TASK

forward to their third meeting with Everton so far this season, John takes a trip down memory lane and recalls the time his dream of playing for them was shattered.

The Liverpool-born player says: "I supported Everton as a kid and went on trials with them when I was 15. I had always dreamed of playing for them and so it broke my heart when they said I wasn't good enough."

But now John, who stood on the terraces at Goodison Park and cheered Everton on to Championship success in 1970, has another chance to prove them wrong.

"It was great when Newport were drawn against Everton in the Milk Cup and I really enjoyed being able to play at Goodison Park," says John.

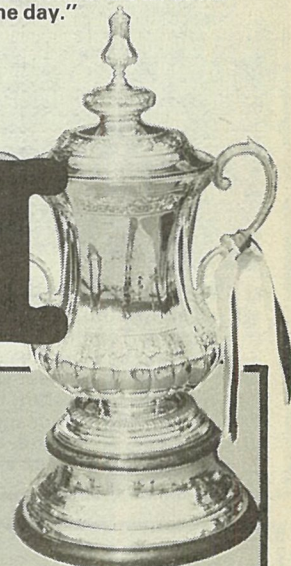
"We were very disappointed

about getting knocked out, especially after we had played so well away from home — but now we have another chance."

The Third Division side went down 2-0 in the first leg at home and then held Everton to a 2-2 draw at Goodison. Now John is quietly confident the 'Toffees' will come unstuck third time around.

"An FA Cup tie is a one-off situation and if we play well and get a bit of luck, we can cause an upset," says Newport's longest-standing player.

Saturday will be a great occasion for the Relish family and loyalties will be divided, as John explains: "Most of the family are Everton supporters, especially my uncles up in Liverpool. But I think that on the day they will be rooting for me."



HAPPY ON THE BENCH — THAT'S LOU MACARI

MANCHESTER United's pocket battleship Lou Macari has been out of the firing line most of the season — and he's quite happy for it to stay that way. Little Lou had played just one League game for the Old Trafford club up until Christmas, having spent most of the time keeping the substitute's bench warm.

But the former Scottish international reveals to 'Match': "I am quite content to remain on the sidelines because that will mean the team is winning and we're in with a chance of the League title."

"Obviously I would like to get off the bench but, at the same time, I realise that for me to be picked the side has to be struggling," he adds.

"And so I won't be worried if, by the end of the season, I have only played two League games as long as we win the Championship."

United have not won the First Division championship since the 1966/67 season and are desperate for a repeat performance.

And the supporters, who have been brought up to expect success at Old Trafford, will not be satisfied until the trophy is gracing the sideboard.

Says Lou: "We have come close a couple of times but it has always eluded us — maybe this could be our year."

Right: Lou Macari — happy to sit on the sidelines at Manchester United.

● A PROGRAMME fair is being staged at Brentford Football Club this Sunday. Top programme dealers from all over the country will be at the "Bumbles" Club in Braemar Road, Brentford from 11am to 3.30pm. Thousands of programmes, books and other football items will be on sale.



● IT SEEMS that Oldham Athletic can't even give tickets away for their matches at Boundary Park! The club sent 8,000 free tickets out to local schoolchildren as a special Christmas treat — hoping that the attendance figure for the home match with Cambridge United would be given a real boost. But while Oldham won 3-0, only just over seven thousand watched the match... less than the average home gate!

BOSSSES IN FUN RUN

SOCCER is set to boast a star representation in the London marathon which takes place in the capital next April.

Arsenal managership pair Terry Neill and Don Howe, Watford boss Graham Taylor and England manager Bobby Robson all hope to compete in the 26-mile fun event.

And if you are running in this year's marathon, why not represent the Muscular Dystrophy Group team, who have BBC boxing commentator Harry Carpenter as their non-running captain?

He's looking for runners to help raise funds for medical research into the tragic disease.

"By joining our team, each runner will receive a free T-shirt and running vest and a place at our celebrity recovery reception after the event," says Harry.

"They also have the chance of winning a place in the New York Marathon as well as the chance of winning a Mini Metro, a hi-fi system or a cruise."

Runners, or anyone who would like to sponsor a runner, can write to Harry at: The Mirrorthon Team, MDG, Freepost, London SW4 0BR.

SCOT FREE... AND LYALL'S DELIGHTED!

THE success young Scot Ray Houghton is enjoying with Fulham this season is delighting West Ham manager John Lyall — even though it was Lyall's decision to release Houghton on a free transfer during last summer.

"Ray has a great deal of ability and no-one is more delighted than me that he's showing up so well at Craven Cottage. It was decided that he should be released because we felt in the end it would be in his own best interests," says John.

"With so many midfield players at the club, first team chances were limited, and to spend another year in our reserves would have meant his career had come to a standstill."

"We made it clear to the lad if he couldn't find himself another club, he would be very welcome to stay with us but he's enjoying considerable success and good luck to him."

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NEIGHBOURS Everton and Liverpool have been drawn together eleven times in the FA Cup, yet Aston Villa and Birmingham have only been coupled once, back in season 1900-1, and Nottingham Forest and Notts County also once, in 1893-94.

SINCE Manchester United defeated them 1-0 at Portman Road in the Third Round back in 1969-70, Ipswich have never been knocked out in their first FA Cup tie of the season.

WHAT a day of reunions in the Third Round this weekend. All these players have their sights on clashes against their former clubs: Eddie Kelly (Leicester) v Notts County; Trevor Christie and Mark Goodwin (Notts County) v Leicester; Alan Buckley (Walsall) v Birmingham; Kevin Broadhurst (Birmingham) v Walsall; Dennis Tueart (Man. City) v Sunderland; Kevin Kilmore (Grimsby) v Scunthorpe and Dave Cusack (Southend) v Sheffield Wednesday.

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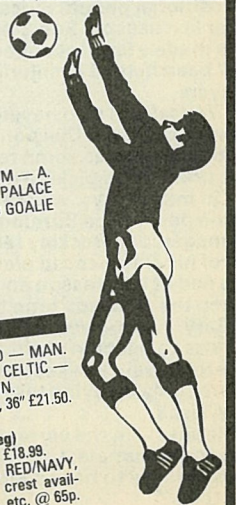
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PETER'S CONTENT AT HIGHBURY

WELSH international Peter Nicholas has scotched rumours of a 'showdown' with Arsenal boss Terry Neill about his future at Highbury.

And the talented midfielder player has dismissed talk of the "play me or else" ultimatum he was said to have issued to the London club.

Still bitter about the rumours, Peter tells 'Match': "They are absolute rubbish and whoever started them has got his facts wrong."

"There has been no such showdown with Terry Neill and I certainly haven't threatened to leave the club if I don't get in the first team."

"In fact, they couldn't be further from the truth because I am perfectly happy to stay at Arsenal and fight for my place."

Up until Christmas, Peter, who has only recently recovered from a cartilage operation, had not made a first team appearance for the 'Gunners' this season.

But that didn't stop Welsh manager Mike England picking him for the crucial European Championship game in Yugoslavia.

Shortly after Wales' dramatic 4-4 draw in the mud at Titograd, Peter said: "It was quite a step for me to go from Arsenal reserves into the international side and I was a little worried about my fitness."

"But I thought I adapted to the situation quite well and was very pleased with the way I pulled through."

Peter was substituted after 75 minutes of the game and admitted that he was "absolutely shattered".

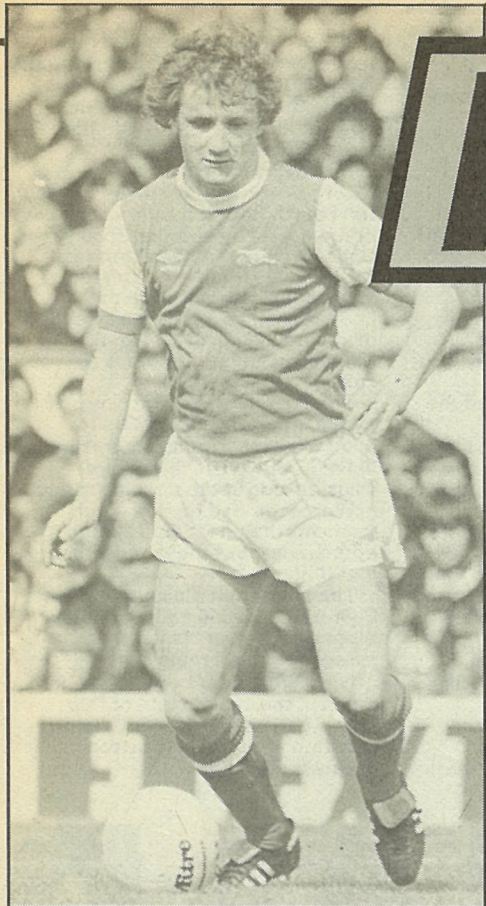
He says: "I felt great for the first hour or so, but the pitch was very heavy and, as the game wore on, it took its toll on me."

"Perhaps I would have completed the game with a few more first team games under my belt."

Peter has struggled to command a regular first team place since moving to Arsenal from London neighbours Crystal Palace 18 months ago.

In his first full season at Highbury, he was in and out of the side and at one stage looked set to join Coventry City in a swap deal with striker Garry Thompson.

But the deal fell through and Peter pledged to stay at Arsenal and fight for his place. He told 'Match' at the end of last season: "I don't want to leave Arsenal because I'm determined to do well here."



Peter Nicholas — "Now it's up to Arsenal."

MATCH CHAT

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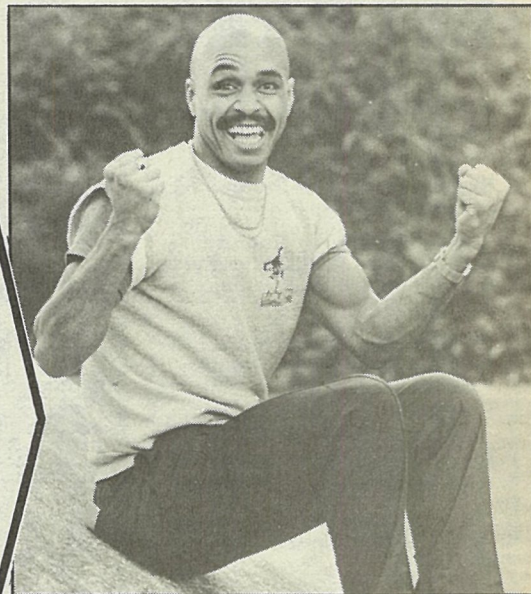
AYRE-FOR-SOME!

MEAN! That's Bishop's Stortford striker, Lyndon Lynch who aims to strike fear into the heart of the Middlesbrough defence in Saturday's FA Cup Third Round tie at Ayresome Park.

Lyndon (30) had his head shaved last March and has vowed it will stay that way until he plays at Wembley.

A physical education lecturer at London's Kingsway College of Further Education, Lyndon scored a hat-trick in Stortford's 4-1 Second Round victory at Slough and he says: "I think it puts a bit of fear into defences when they see me looking as mean as boxer Marvin Hagler."

"It may make me a bit faster on the pitch too — like Duncan Goodhew claims it does in the swimming pool."



A FARE DEAL FOR WATFORD FANS

TRANSFER fees have been halved at Watford . . . not for the players, but for the fans.

A new scheme enables Watford fans to travel to matches at half price on the buses.

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STEVE'S SHIRT TALE

ATHLETICS superstar Steve Cram has both European and Commonwealth 1500 metres gold medals among his fast-growing collection of honours.

But despite that, pride of place in the Cram household is a Sunderland football shirt, commemorating the club's famous FA Cup win in 1973 when Steve was only 12.

"I've always been a Sunderland fanatic," admits Steve.

"In fact, I'd have preferred to have been successful in football — particularly at Roker Park — than anything else."

"But it wasn't to be. Athletics is what I do best. I was a keen schoolboy player, but not good enough to take up the game professionally, like my uncle Bobby who played for West Brom."

"When I started to make my name in athletics, and the club got to hear how I'd always been a regular on the Roker terraces, they very kindly awarded me the shirt."

"It was a fantastic gesture which means everything to me."

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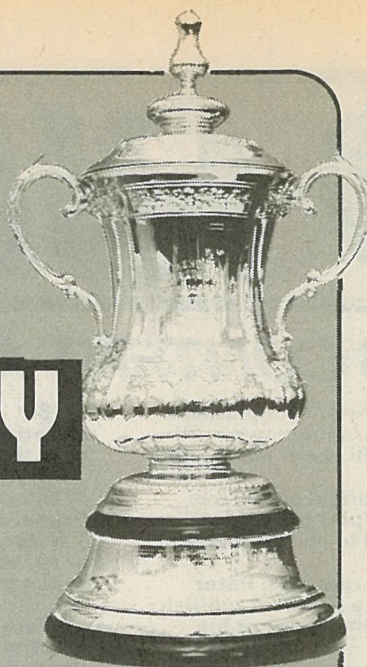
ALL THE WAY TO WEMBLEY

NON-LEAGUE

Worcester's fairy-tale visit to First Division Coventry on Saturday sums up all that is good about the magic of the FA Cup.

And it's the Alliance Premier League part-timers who now find

themselves Match Weekly's adopted team in our fascinating series "All the way to Wembley".



FEW teams from the lower echelons of football can proudly boast a Cup victory over mighty Liverpool.

But Worcester have that rare distinction, giving their long-standing fans some justification in believing that Coventry should hold no fears for the Alliance Premier Division club.

Without stealing any of tiny Worcester's thunder from that historic day back in 1959, it must be noted that Liverpool were not the near invincible power they are today.

They were then at the top of the Second Division, but with internationals in their line-up like Alan A'Court, Jimmy Melia and goalkeeper Tommy Younger, it was still an outstanding performance by the non-Leaguers.

More than 15,000 packed Worcester's St George's Lane that January afternoon to see Liverpool humbled 2-1 in a Third Round tie.

Worcester, inspired by former Manchester City star Roy Paul, scored in each half and were only denied a clean sheet by a controversial Geoff Twentyman penalty in the dying seconds.

The passion and fervour of that

cold, icy day were captured in a report of the time which described how 10,000 whooping, ecstatic fans leaped the barriers and in twenty seconds the FA Cup heroes were hidden from view.

However, Worcester's record-breaking Cup run ended at the Fourth Round hurdle with a 2-0 home defeat by another Second Division club, Sheffield United.

But it was quite a season for Worcester with the scalp of Liverpool and a 5-2 Second Round drubbing of Fourth Division Millwall to savour for years to come.

The draw with Coventry will also evoke memories of the Cup in 1960-61 when Worcester crashed 4-1 at home to the then Third Division side in the opening round.

Worcester had to wait eighteen years for their next First Round appearance, but they made up for lost time.

They flattened Malcolm Allison's Plymouth side 2-0 and were only pipped by Newport in extra time of a Second Round replay.

Now Worcester hope to revel again in the sweet taste of Cup glory with a victory over Coventry City that would surely be their greatest moment.

HOW THEY GOT THERE

First Qualifying Round:
ALVECHURCH (away) 4-2 — Tuohy 2, Brown, Moss C.

Second Qualifying Round:
ROTHWELL TOWN (home) 3-1 — Tuohy 2, Moss P.

Third Qualifying Round:
SUTTON COLDFIELD (away) 4-2 — Moss P. (2), Phelps, Crompton.

Fourth Qualifying Round:
WELLINGBOROUGH (home) 2-1 — Moss P. (pen), Crompton

First Round:
MACCLESFIELD (away) 5-1 — Tuohy 3, Moss P. 2

Second Round:
WREXHAM (home) 2-1 — Moss P. 2

THE SCALP

FORMER Wolves favourite Phil Parkes returns to the big time on Saturday.

The giant goalkeeper, who made more than 300 appearances for the Molineux club, will be non-League Worcester's last line of defence for the biggest match in their history.

But win, lose or draw, Phil won't be able to relax after the game with a Sunday morning lie-in. He'll be back on goalkeeping duty for local works team, Marsdens.

Phil will be playing on a council park pitch in a Wolverhampton Sunday League fixture where the attendance won't be much more than one man and his dog!

Back in England during the American close season, where he plays for Oklahoma City, Phil is keen to keep fit and in trim so he plays for Worcester on a Saturday afternoon and his local team the next day.

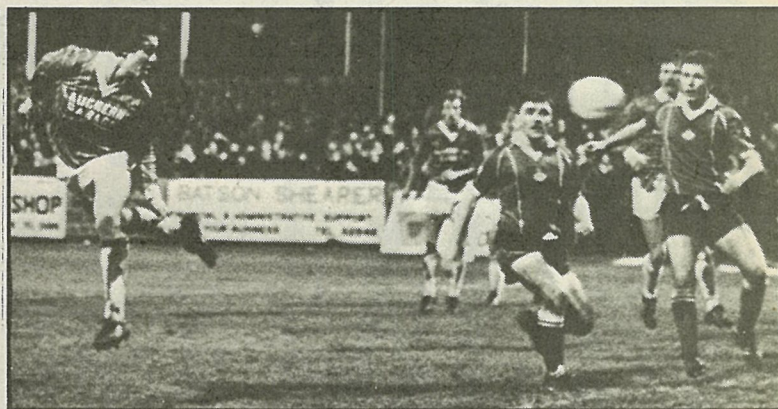
"I used to coach the Marsden lads when I was with Wolves," explains Phil. "So I was pleased to renew my acquaintances as a player."

"The game at Highfield Road will seem a million miles away from park football," says Phil. "And I'm really looking forward to the day. All the lads are keyed up."

"I must admit that I'd have preferred a tie against Birmingham, Aston Villa or even my old club Wolves. A few of the players live in these areas and the match would have had added spice."

"No-one gives us a chance to win, so that means that all the pressure will be on Coventry. The FA Cup is a great leveller and anything is possible."

"Obviously I'd love to go all the



Paul Moss heads Worcester's second half equaliser against Wrexham in the last round.

way to Wembley, but that's a near impossible dream. The most we can hope is that we give a good account of ourselves.

"I don't know that much about Coventry, although they are a team in form at the moment. This season they've reached their highest ever position in the First Division."

"I played against their young striker Mark Hateley in America and I was very impressed by him. We'll have to watch him very carefully."

The Parkes family are thoroughly enjoying life in America and Phil expects to return at the end of the English season to play for Oklahoma again.

He's even considering staying over there permanently and has applied for a green card which will give him resident status.

"This is the first time I've been

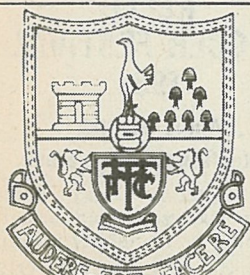
back in England for nearly four years and my children have taken time to settle. They love the American lifestyle."

Phil has returned to England with the game in a depression and he says: "The most disappointing thing for me is the drop in attendances."

"When I was at Molineux we used to play in front of 20,000 every week. Now the club are lucky to get double figures. For a top of the table clash recently they only pulled 15,000."

Phil, who moved to America when Wolves bought Paul Bradshaw from Blackburn, spent 16 years at Molineux and is still in regular contact with the club.

"I train regularly with the first team and that keeps me in touch with what's happening in the game," says the 35-year-old.



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It's thumbs up from Worcester's feared strike force of Mick Tuohy (left) and Paul Moss who have scored 14 FA Cup goals between them this season. No wonder manager Nobby Clark is all smiles in the middle.

HUNTERS!

WORCESTER SEEK ANOTHER GIANT-KILLING ACT . . .

WORCESTER'S FA Cup goalscoring hero Paul Moss takes on Coventry on Saturday, wondering whether he wasted six years in League football trying to make his name as a midfield player.

Since quitting the professional ranks at the end of last season, the 25-year-old former Wolves player has been blazing the goals trail for the FA Cup giantkillers in his new striking role.

He had twenty to his credit before Christmas, including the two goals that destroyed Third Division Wrexham in the last round at St George's Lane.

★ **WORCESTER boss Nobby Clark,** ★
★ **who runs his own heating and** ★
★ **plumbing business in Birmingham,** ★
★ **has the distinction of being the** ★
★ **longest-serving manager in the** ★
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★ **He took over eight years ago** ★
★ **after a successful spell as manager** ★
★ **of Midland Combination club** ★
★ **Highgate United.** ★

★ **He guided Worcester into the** ★
★ **Alliance Premier as Southern** ★
★ **League champions in 1978-79.** ★

★ **Worcester have twice finished in** ★
★ **the top four since joining the** ★
★ **Alliance three seasons ago.** ★

Now, as he prepares for his biggest test yet, Paul says:

"I've got no regrets at the moment about quitting League football, but I now wonder whether I might have made it as a striker.

"I'm enjoying myself up front, particularly with the goals going in, and I'll be disappointed if I don't score against Coventry.

"I've scored in five of our six Cup rounds so far, so it would be nice to add to that record on a First Division ground.

"Whether Worcester can produce another Cup shock is another matter.

"To be realistic, our chances of getting a result at Coventry are about one in ten.

"But Coventry are an unpredictable team and if we could catch them on an off day, then we could just spring a surprise."

Ironically, it was at Coventry's Highfield Road ground that Paul thought his First Division career with Wolves was about to take off.

"I was the non-playing substitute that day, but just at the time when I was pushing my name forward, I broke a bone in my foot and was out for more than four months," says Paul, whose younger brother Craig is also in the Worcester squad after leaving Wolves.

"By the time I had recovered, a new management team had taken over and I was out in the cold again."

Second Division Hull then paid £40,000 for Paul's services, but things didn't work out again.

Hull were relegated during his two years there and he had several rows with manager Mike Smith.

"I became completely disillusioned with professional football, and, although I played regularly last season with Scunthorpe, I had made up my mind to give it up," he says.

"It was a difficult decision to make, but at 25 I felt I had to make it before it was too late.

"I turned down a new contract from Scunthorpe and went on an accountancy course at Birmingham Polytechnic.

"I've seen too many players in their thirties kicked out of football with nothing to turn to.

"My heart had been set on a career in the First Division, and I didn't feel like playing on in the lower divisions."

So Paul is out to prove a point or two at Coventry, although it would take a lucrative offer to lure him back to League football.

"It would be nice to score at Coventry although I would imagine that my former County playing partner Paul Dyson will have other ideas."

WORCESTER'S WARRIORS

PHIL PARKES (goalkeeper) — Aged 35. The club's latest signing. He spent 16 years with Wolves before going to America to play for Vancouver, Chicago, San Jose and Oklahoma.

GRAHAM SELBY (full-back) — Aged 29. Only Worcester-born player in the squad. He was bought from Bromsgrove for £1,000 in 1978 and has made more than 200 appearances.

PAUL HUNT (full-back) — Joined Worcester from Trowbridge on a free transfer in December last year.

MALCOLM PHELPS (central defender) — Aged 29. Joined Worcester as a striker but has been successfully converted to a defender. He has made more than 350 appearances for the club after previously playing for Nuneaton and Alvechurch.

KEVIN TUDOR (central defender) — Aged 28. The mainstay of the defence who has been hit by injury this season. He signed from Mid-Wales club Newtown six seasons ago.

DAVID HUGHES (midfield) — Aged 24. The club captain joined Worcester on a free transfer from Lincoln in the close season. He was previously on the books of Aston Villa and Scunthorpe.

JIMMY WILLIAMS (midfield) — Aged 29. He is in his second spell with the club. He first signed on a free transfer from Dudley, and was then sold to Walsall for £7,500. He then moved to Telford for £10,000 before Worcester paid a club record £8,000 for his return.

CRAIG MOSS (midfield) — Aged 21. Like Jimmy Williams, he's in his second spell with the club. He was signed during the close season on a free transfer from Wolves.

PAUL MOSS (striker) — Aged 25. The elder brother of Craig, he also joined the club this season from Scunthorpe where he made 42 League appearances. He was previously with Wolves and Hull.

STEVE CROMPTON (striker) — Aged 24. Previously on the books of Wolves, the bustling striker joined Worcester for £4,500 from Hereford. He has made more than 170 appearances for the club.

MICK TUOHY (striker) — Aged 26. Started the season as captain before handing over to Hughes. He was signed from Southend for £6,000 in December 1980 after a previous spell with Redditch.

BARRY WILLIAMS (midfield) — The club's longest serving player, having been with them since December 1974.

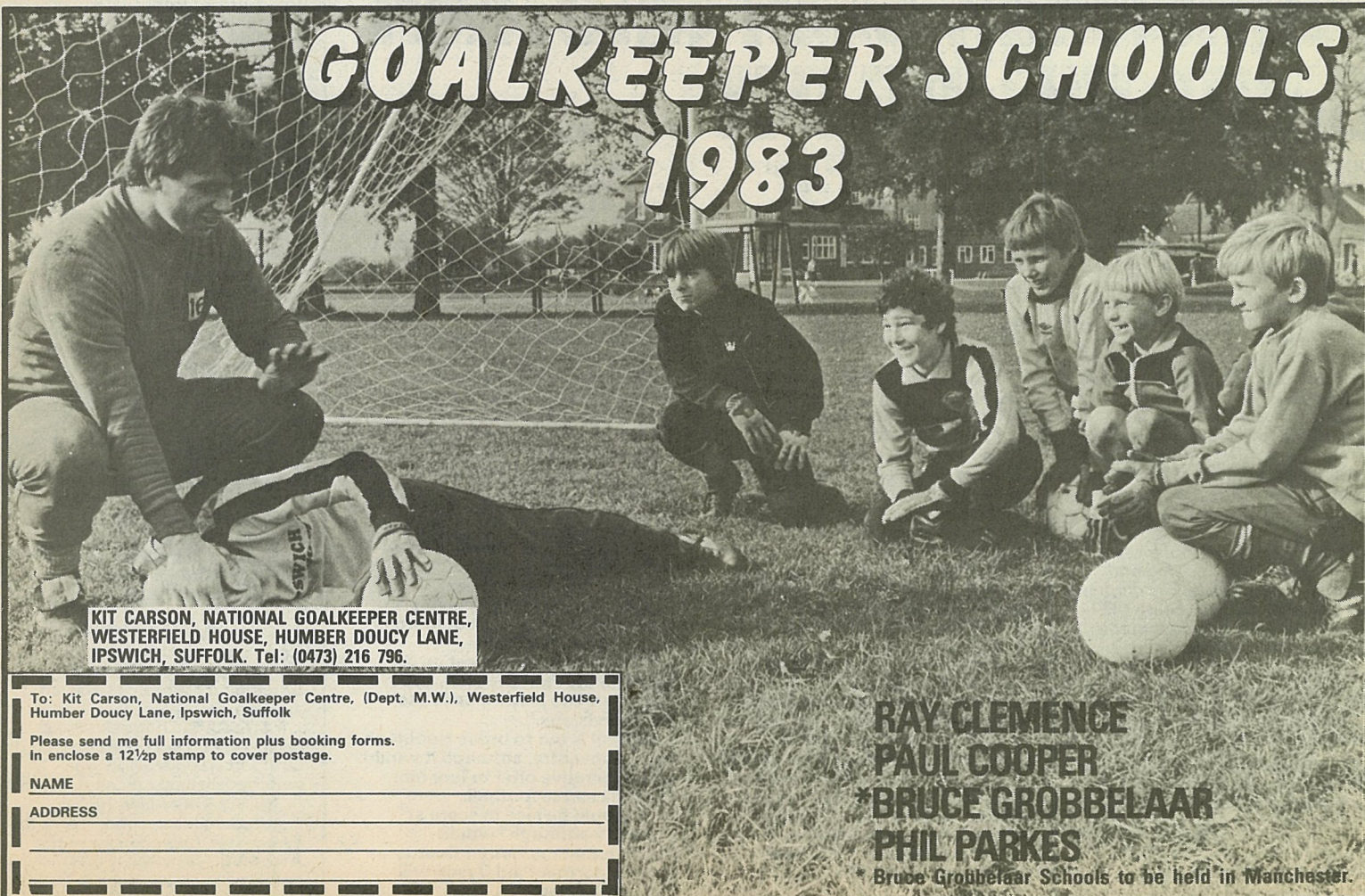
JOHN MCGRATH (full-back) — Aged 18. Joined the club in the close season from Second Division Shrewsbury where he was an apprentice.

PAUL CARTER (goalkeeper) — Aged 18. He was previously on the books of Hereford and was watched by several League clubs.

JIMMY BROWN (midfield) — Aged 29. In his second spell with Worcester, having been with Aston Villa, Preston, Portsmouth and Hearts, plus a spell in Greek football.



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THE OMEN

IF you believe in omens, then Arsenal are booked for Wembley this season.

Our best chance at the moment lies with the Milk Cup, where we face a home Quarter-Final tie with Second Division Sheffield Wednesday.

But, first, we have another cup hurdle to overcome with the visit of another Division Two side, Bolton, in the Third Round of the FA Cup this weekend.

And the last time we faced either of those two sides in cup competitions, we went on to reach the FA Cup Final.

We came up against Wednesday in the Third Round in 1979, the year we triumphed at Wembley against Manchester United in that thrilling Final.

And what a ding-dong battle we had with Jack Charlton's side with no fewer than five games needed to settle the tie.

I remember the first replay at Highbury after we had drawn 1-1 at Hillsborough.

We were trailing 1-0 with the clock showing exactly 9.10pm and I thought we were out of the Cup.

Then Frank Stapleton headed the ball down for Liam Brady to sweep in the equaliser and it was off to Leicester for the first of three incredible matches.

After 2-2 and 3-3 draws at Filbert Street, we finally made it to the Fourth Round with a 2-0 victory in the fourth replay.

I only hope on this occasion in the Milk Cup, we can make it at the first time of asking.

We were more than satisfied to be drawn at home to one of the two surviving Second Division sides at this stage of the competition.

No doubt Wednesday were rubbing their hands at the prospect because it's probable they would rather draw us away than Liverpool or Manchester United.

But with ourselves, Liverpool, Manchester United and Tottenham all drawn at home in the Quarter-Finals, it could be a tremendous line-up in the Semi-Finals if you can go by the form book.

If we can overcome Wednesday, then I don't mind who we face in the Semi-Finals because I fancy our chances against any team over two legs.

Arsenal are due some success in the Milk Cup, having never won the former Football League Cup.

ARSENAL ARE

WEMBLEY-BOUND

The club reached the Final in successive years back in the late sixties, only to lose on both occasions... to Leeds and Swindon.

Looking ahead to Saturday's FA Cup tie, we were relieved to receive a home draw.

And the longer you avoid teams like Liverpool and Manchester United, the better chance you have of reaching Wembley.

We last faced Bolton in cup action nearly three years ago.

They were then in the First Division, and we beat them 3-0 at Highbury, after a 1-1 draw, to reach the Sixth Round.

That was the year we went on to complete a hat-trick of FA Cup Final appearances, but we finished up losing 1-0 to West Ham.

I played in two of those three Finals and came on as substitute during the 1-0 defeat by Ipswich in 1978, and I keep telling the younger lads in the team that it's an experience they should really fight for this season.

I was only around the twenty mark at the time of those Wembley Finals and I don't think I fully appreciated what a thrill it is to play in a cup final.

Youngsters like Chris Whyte, Stewart Robson, Paul Davis and even Kenny Sansom have never tasted the excitement of playing in a Cup Final at Wembley. And coach Don Howe continually hammers home that point.

He keeps telling us: "Some of you lads have been there before and know what a thrill it is. Well, let's get there again."

We've certainly had the luck of the draw in the Quarter-Finals of the Milk Cup, so we'll probably never have a better chance of reaching Wembley in that competition.

And if we could win one of the trophies, then we'll be back in Europe without having to worry about getting into the top six.

We've left ourselves with plenty to do to achieve a UEFA Cup place but, as I have said before, I honestly believe we

are capable of finishing in the top six.

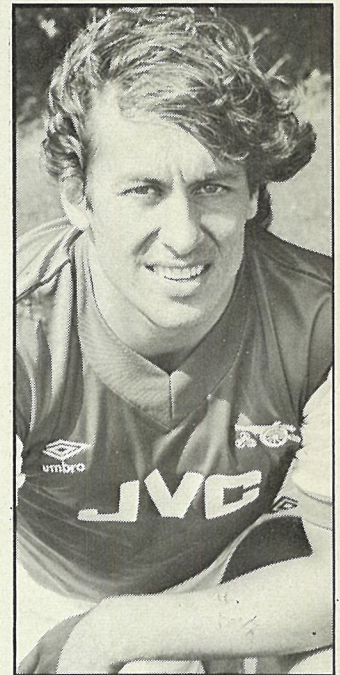
And that's one of my main aims for 1983 — with one of the cups for a bonus!

From a football point of view, I would like to see everyone stop knocking the game, the crowds flooding back and the players responding with exciting and skilful football.

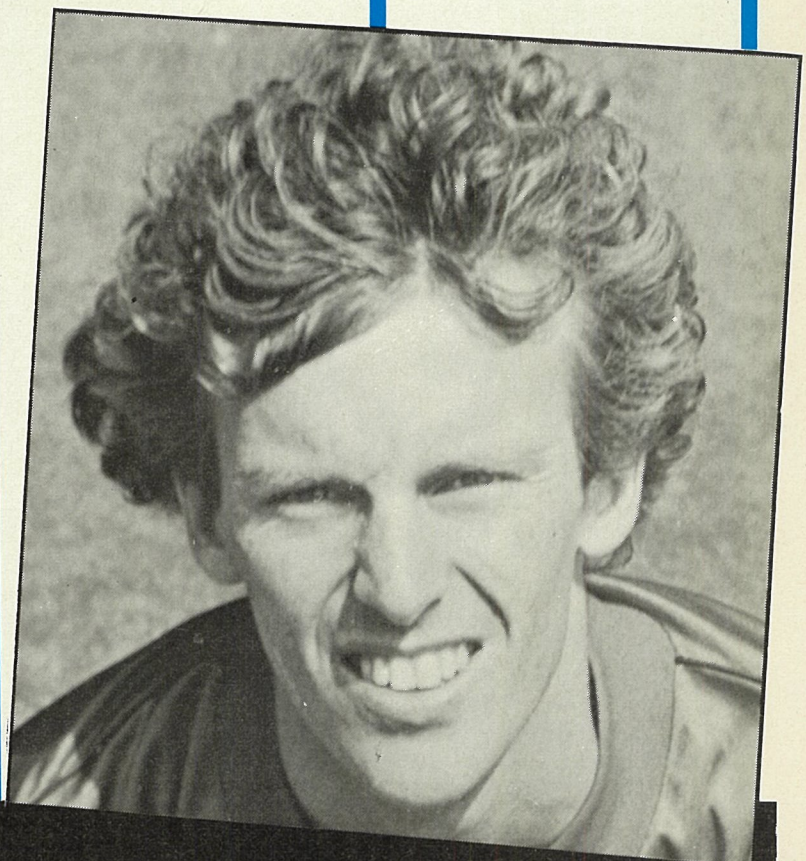
And, as far as my England career goes, I hope to at least retain my place in the squad — or better still get a game. See you in two weeks.

Graham Rix

● Graham Rix was talking to Melvyn Beck.



Experienced England international Kenny Sansom — still to taste the magic of an FA Cup Final. This could be the year...



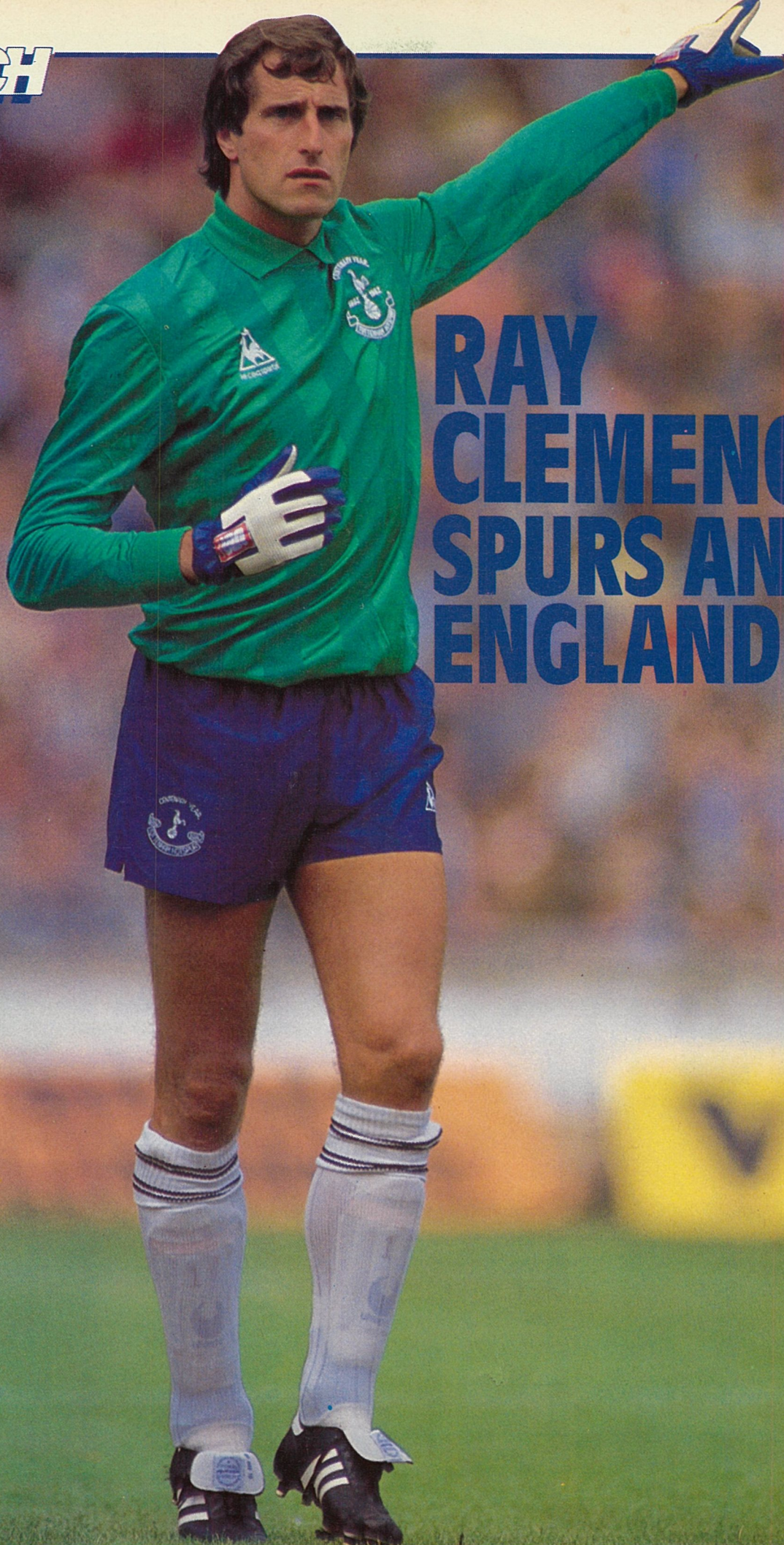
THE GRAHAM RIX COLUMN

The FA Cup revives some fascinating memories for the England and Arsenal star as he guns for a Wembley place.



COLIN MORRIS
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"Take off" seems to be what the referee is telling Brighton players, Don Shanks (left) and Neil McNab. The Brighton pair don't seem to be too happy about the referee's decision.

"Ouch, that hurt." Luton's Raddy Antic feels the effects of a Glenn Roeder tackle (right). Despite the apologies the QPR captain was booked by referee Ken Baker and minutes later he was sent off.

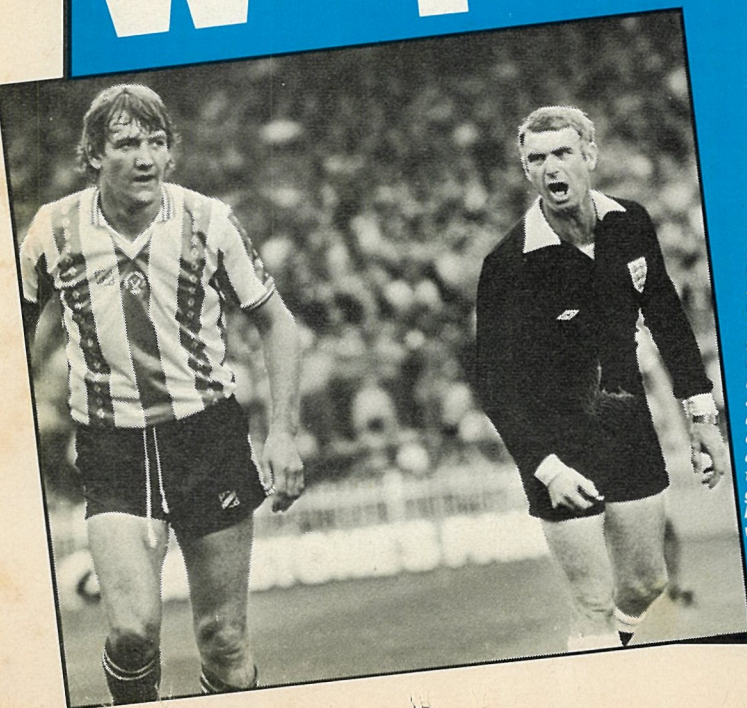


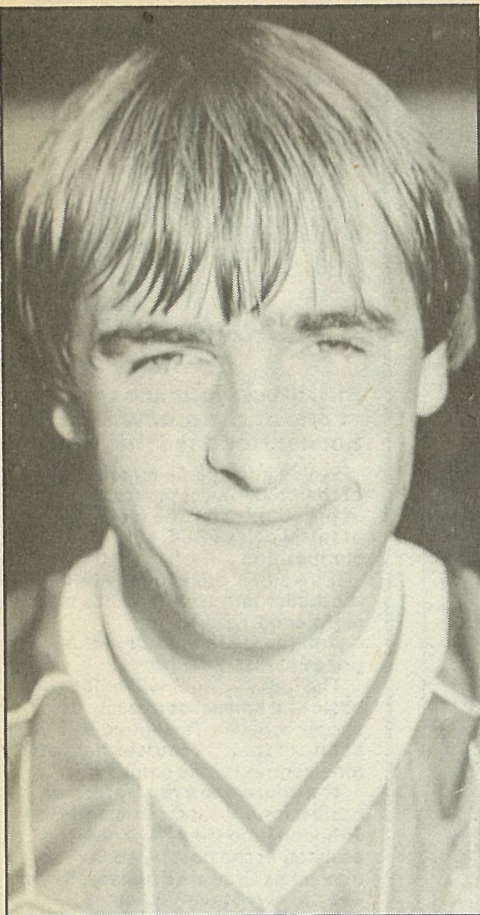
Singing with McGrain. The referee seems to be engaged in song with the Celtic skipper (above) during the game with Aberdeen recently. Obviously Danny didn't hit the right note because he was given his marching orders and found himself "singing the blues" while taking an early bath.

WHISTLE-STOP!

"Was it something I said?" seems to be the question referee Keith Hackett (right) is asking stony-faced Norwich striker Keith Bertschin following the 0-0 draw with Spurs.

"Oi. I'm talking to you" seems to be what referee Jeff Bray is saying to Sheffield United striker Alan Young (left). The former Leicester player was obviously in no mood for conversation and chose to turn a deaf ear on this occasion. Alan was no doubt feeling more talkative after the game against Preston because the Blades won 2-1.





Huddersfield's Colin Russell — the 'Kenny Dalglish of the Third Division.'

COLIN Russell's first team career at Liverpool lasted no longer than an episode of Jackanory. And unlike the stories featured in the 15-minute children's television programme, there was no fairytale ending.

His short-lived debut came to a close with the League Champions suffering a rare home defeat at the hands of Sunderland!

So ended a lifelong dream because it had always been Colin's ambition to play for Liverpool in front of their famous 'Kop'.

But, two years later, he has emerged from the shadows — and disappointments — of Anfield.

A £15,000 transfer to Huddersfield has given him his first real taste of League football and with it a new lease of life.

The tricky striker christened his debut for Town with a goal in each half against Oxford.

And his style has already prompted Leeds Road fans to hail him as the 'Kenny Dalglish of the Third Division.'

"Those two goals helped me to settle down," admits the 21-year-old Liverpoolian.

"Had I not scored that afternoon, I might have struggled later through worry about getting off the mark.

"I was even more delighted because it was Town's first win of the season."

The small striker's ability to shield and turn with the ball are the qualities that have led to comparisons with Scottish international Kenny Dalglish.

But Colin insists that in no way has he modelled himself on his former Anfield colleague.

"My game has never been influenced by anyone. My style has been the same since my schooldays.

"I'm not very fast so I rely on the basic skills when the ball is played to my feet."

The success of 'in-form' emergency striker Mark Lillis — previously a midfielder — has helped take some of the pressure off Colin.

Prior to the Christmas programme, the duo

15 MINUTE DREAM RUSSELL'S GLORY IS SHORT-LIVED

stood as the club's joint top scorers with ten goals each and Colin says:

"Mark is a good striker of the ball and possibly underestimates himself up front. He's helped me a great deal.

"I think playing in this division can provide a player with a very good upbringing.

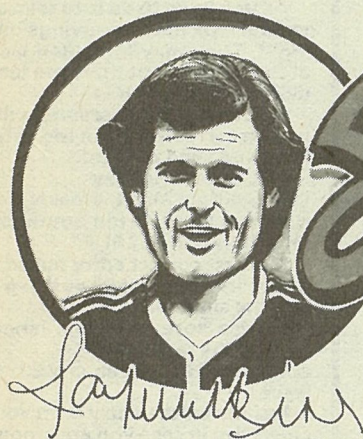
"You have to make your own time and room although that should never be a problem to a good player."

Although he refuses to set a personal target for this season, Colin's thoughts are clearly on helping Huddersfield achieve Second Division status.

"Of course, like every other striker I aim to get a goal every Saturday but the main aim is promotion for the team — and I can't see why that shouldn't be achieved.

Looking back on his time at Anfield Colin says: "It was always my ambition to play for Liverpool in front of the 'Kop' and naturally it was disappointing that I only managed it for 15 minutes.

"I still feel that I should have been given another chance."



Soccer Mad?

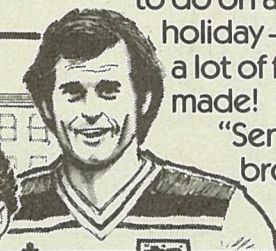
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1. High ones often cause problems for a 'keeper (7)
4. A go at goal (4)
8. Former Leeds and Scotland star who was famous for his hard 4 across (7)
- 9 & 14 down. Law and crime can be found mixed up at the start of this famous manager's name (6, 8)
10. A man-made material used in some soccer kit (5)
11. 'Keeper who had a long career of around 600 games with Nottingham Forest, Sheffield Wednesday and Brighton (8)
12. Doncaster's nickname is not so difficult! (6)
15. Ricky Villa's old club (6)
18. Northern Ireland club which appeared in the European Cup this season (8)
19. Gray, say (5)
21. See 17 down
22. The club which used to be based at Anfield Road (7)
23. Hard-up clubs often have to --- their best players just so that they can pay the wages of their other players (4)
24. The main colour at Maine Road (3, 4)

- 1 & 5 down. Defender who finished with Walsall last season after establishing the club's appearances record (5, 8)
2. A former European Football of the Year who came to play in League soccer this season (8)
3. Midfielder who has had around 300 matches for Cambridge (7)
5. See 1 down.
6. Frank Worthington's tally of first-class goals last season (6)
7. The place for all your autographs (5)
13. In theory it oughtn't to be possible to miss an opportunity like this! (4, 4)
14. See 9 across.
15. Father and son Arnold and David --- each played for Bristol City (7)
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- 17 & 21 across. He has played for and managed both of the Bristol clubs (5, 6)
20. --- Machin, former inside-forward with Coventry, Plymouth and Brighton (5)

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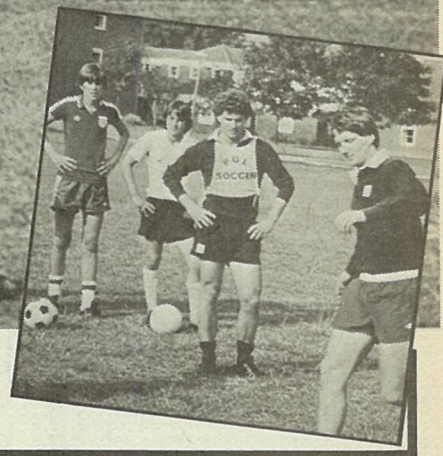
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● Last week's answer was Brighton's Mike Robinson.

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SPOT THE LINK

Name the three players and what is the common link between them, apart from being England internationals?



CUP TEASERS

IT'S F.A. Cup week, but how is your memory regarding the matches in the opening two rounds this season?

- 1 Who did Alan Young score a hat-trick against in the last round?
- 2 Which non-League team knocked out Cardiff?
- 3 Which League side did Worcester beat in the last round?
- 4 Which Fourth Division side did Boston United defeat in the First Round?
- 5 Which non-League side won at Halifax in the First Round?
- 6 Hartlepool caused a surprise in the First Round by defeating which team?

SOLUTIONS

England's game with Luxembourg through injury.
SPOT THE LINK: A Alan Devonshire, B Phil Thompson, C Peter Shilton — they all missed Wrexham; 4 Crewe; 5 North Shields; 6 Lincoln.
CUP TEASERS: 1 Boston United; 2 Weymouth; 3 16 blocks; 17 & 21 across; Terry Cooper; 20, Ernie. album; 13 open goal; 14 See 9 across; 15 Rodgers; (Charlton); 3 Springs; 5 See 1 down; 6 Twenty; 7 Down; 1 & 5 down; Colin Harrison; 2 Simonsen down; 22 Everton; 23 sell; 24 sky blue. Rovers; 15 Racing; 18 Linfield; 19 Eddie; 21 See 17 Lawrie McMenamy; 10 mylon; 11 Grummitt; 12 Across: 1 crosses; 4 shot; 8 Lorimer; 9 & 14 down.

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Their publication is colourful, well presented and full of interesting information with the emphasis on life behind the Villa Park scenes.

We looked at the programme for this season's First Division clash with Swansea, and at 40p, found it tremendous value for money.

There was an interesting picture sequence on law interpretation with the assistance of skipper Dennis Mortimer and referee Ron Bridges, and an in-depth look at Des Bremner, a key figure in the midfield engine room.

STAR RATING GUIDE: *****Superb; ****Good; ***Satisfactory; **Poor.

How the Aston Villa programme fared:

Content: *****; Pictures: *****; Colour: *****; Information: *****; Entertainment: *****; Value for money: *****.

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Scottish striker Alan Brazil still wants to leave Ipswich.

ALAN Brazil is determined to stay on the transfer list at Ipswich even though he admits he's enjoying his football again.

The Scottish striker rocked the club earlier this season by demanding a move just a couple of months after signing a new contract, which would have tied him to Portman Road for five years.

Says Alan: "After signing the new deal, I became unsettled. I wasn't playing well or enjoying my football and I couldn't see the situation improving.

"In the end, I decided that it would be better if I asked for a change of club. It was frustrating for me because I knew I should be playing better.

"Last season was great. I was scoring at lot of goals and getting a tremendous service," adds Alan, who finished up as the club's leading marksman with 18 League goals.

BRAZIL IS OUT TO IMPRESS

"This term I've not had the same sort of service and I've found myself having to work harder and do a lot more chasing around."

Alan believes that the departure in the close season of Arnold Muhren to Manchester United has had a bearing on his form. He says: "Perhaps I was spoilt by his service.

"He was so good. He knew what sort of runs I was making and where I liked the ball delivered. I've certainly missed him and I'm sure John Wark and Paul Mariner would say the same."

The Dutch midfield master moved on a free transfer to Old Trafford in the close season and there was speculation that Alan could be re-united with his former team-mate.

"The United business started more than a year ago and it's been on and off for the last couple of months.

"Obviously I'd have to think long and hard about a move to such a big city club but the prospect of playing alongside Arnold again in such an exciting team as United appeals to me very much," admits Alan.

"As far as I know, however, there have only been a couple of concrete inquiries about me and they've been from Stoke and West Brom."

Alan fears that prospective buyers could be put off by the price Ipswich are demanding. He says: "They want £800,000 and that's a lot of cash in this current economic climate.

"I've got no complaints about the size of the fee. After all, I'm still under contract to the club so they can ask what they like for me.

"But the price does make a quick getaway difficult and at the moment my future looks to be with Ipswich."

The 23-year-old first asked for a move last season after an argument with manager Bobby Ferguson, but he insists that there's no ill-feeling now.

"Bobby was assistant manager at the time and I was unhappy because I felt I was getting unfair stick from him. That was all settled and I've got no argument with him this time.

"There is no bust-up between myself and Ipswich. I still love the club and I'll do my best for them as long as I'm here."

Both Alan and his team mate Eric Gates have come under fire for timing their transfer requests when Ipswich were struggling at the wrong end of the First Division.

But Alan says: "The response from the Ipswich public has been great. I've received lots of nice letters from fans asking me to stay. I certainly haven't had to suffer any abuse."

Alan accepts that his position at Ipswich has affected his international hopes and sees it as

one of the main reasons why he was left out of Scotland's squad for the European Championship qualifier in Belgium last month.

"I was very disappointed to be left out, but I've got to get myself sorted out at club level before I can think about playing for Scotland again."

Alan faces a tough battle to reclaim his place following the two-goal return from the international wilderness of Liverpool's Kenny Dalglish.

"I've yet to score for Scotland, but many of my appearances have been as substitute and in tough away games.

"I'm still young and I believe I've got a lot of time to prove myself as an international striker," he says.

Ipswich manager Bobby Ferguson has publicly warned the young goalscorer that he faces the axe from the first team if there's any sign that he's not giving 100 per cent for the club.

"I realise that as soon as I stop playing I'll be thrown into the reserves, but it wouldn't be in my interests to give anything less than my best. To get away, I've got to sell myself with impressive performances in the first team."

Ipswich are still far from being the side they were last season, but Alan believes they'll finish in the top five in the First Division this term.

"We got off to a terrible start. Once you start losing you get into a rut and it's very difficult to get out. But now the luck is going our way I'm sure we'll qualify for a place in Europe.

"We're much tighter in defence than we were at the start. We'd go a goal up in a game and still lose. Now if we take the lead there's a good chance we'll keep it."

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THE FA Cup is the only domestic trophy that has eluded our manager Bob Paisley and we'd love to win it for him in his last season at Anfield.

Bob retires at the end of the campaign after eight glorious years so this is our last chance to complete a remarkable collection.

And it's FA Cup time again on Saturday when we travel to face Second Division Blackburn at Ewood Park.

We'll be a little more nervous than usual on two counts. First because of the manager, Bob, and second because we still have memories of last season's exit at the hands of Chelsea.

The fact that Blackburn isn't that far away means that at least we'll have some travelling support for what promises to be a tough encounter.

It's a tie I'd have preferred to have played at Anfield because the match is going to be their biggest of the season so far, and everyone will be fired up and determined to put one over us.

Although the Lancashire club are going through a lean spell in their history, they've still got a tremendous record in the FA Cup — having lifted the trophy six times.

Of course the last time they won it was in 1928 but the current side looks pretty useful and has plenty of experience.

As well as Northern Ireland international Noel Brotherton, there's striker Norman Bell who moved from Wolves last season and former Southampton goalkeeper Terry Gennoe.

Although we'd love to lift the FA Cup for Bob Paisley, we know that it's impossible to pick and choose. Liverpool have no divine right to win any trophy. What we achieve has to be done the hard way.

We don't expect to win a cup at the start of the season. I regard the campaign as a success if we've got one trophy on the sideboard.

Liverpool continue their defence of the Milk Cup just over a week later when we tackle West Ham in the Quarter-Finals of the competition.

We beat 'The Hammers' two years ago after a replay at Villa Park to lift the trophy for the first time in our history and I'll be hoping that this game doesn't go to a second match.

It's good to get a home draw because at this stage of the competition, every game is going to be hard. West Ham are renowned cup fighters and we've got a very difficult job ahead.

I know I'm a week late but the New Year is traditionally the time to look back at the happenings of the last 12 months and 1982 gave me plenty to enjoy.

First there was taking over the captaincy of the club and then leading them to victory over FA Cup winners Spurs in the Milk Cup.

I said at the time that it was the highlight of my career and I'll never forget the feeling as I held the Cup aloft at Wembley.

I was showing a trophy to the famous 'Kop' again in May when Liverpool clinched their record-breaking thirteenth League Championship with a memorable 3-1 win over Spurs.

Playing in the World Cup Finals is also a memory I shall cherish for a long time to come, even though it ended in disappointment for Scotland when we failed to make the second phase after losing our final game against the USSR.

We went down 2-1 but I felt we should — and could — have won. We were by far the better team and had to endure some disgraceful refereeing decisions.

Last year also produced one of the lowest points of my career — The FA Cup Fifth Round defeat by Second Division Chelsea at Stamford Bridge.

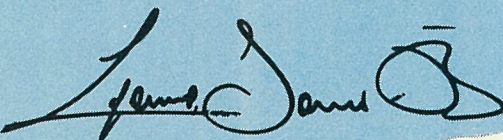
It was the most unprofessional performance I'd ever seen from a Liverpool team and it was especially disappointing because I felt we'd never get an easier chance to lift that elusive trophy.

I'm not a person for making New Year resolutions. I'll just be happy if Liverpool can continue the success of recent years.

On the international front, it's a matter of rolling up our sleeves and fighting as hard as we can to salvage our European Championship hopes.

Belgium must now be red-hot favourites to go through from our group, but we won't be giving up the fight just yet. As long as there are games to be played, we'll be battling.

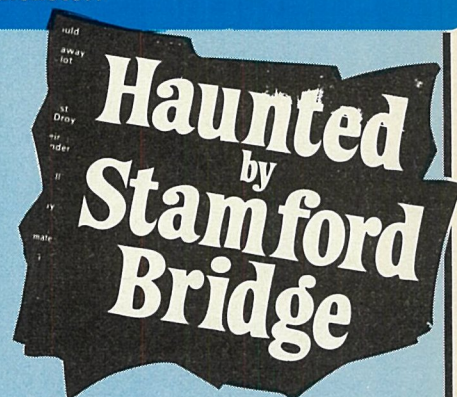
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● Graeme Souness was talking to Anthony Hawkswell.

THE GRAEME SOUNESS COLUMN

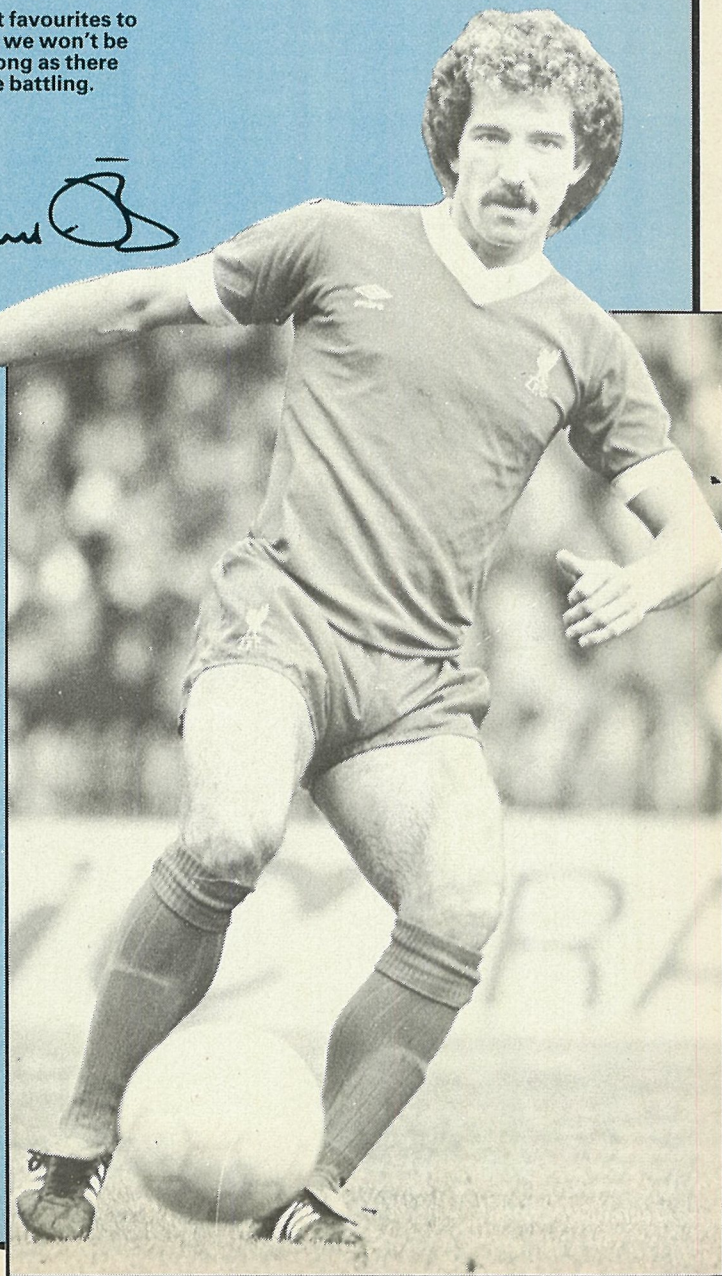
The Liverpool skipper has his eyes on the FA Cup and the battle begins on Saturday... with memories of a disaster.



Flashback to the Graeme Souness column in the February 13, 1982 issue of 'Match' when the Liverpool skipper looked ahead to the ill-fated FA Cup Fifth Round tie against Chelsea at Stamford Bridge. Looking back Graeme says: "It was one of the lowest points of my career and one of the most unprofessional performances I've ever seen from a Liverpool team."

THIS ONE'S FOR BOB!

FA CUP VICTORY WILL COMPLETE PAISLEY'S SET



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BACK ROW (left to right): Bobby McDonald, Chris Jones (now with C. Palace), Åge Hareide (on loan to Norwich), Alex Williams,

STER CITY



Joe Corrigan, Tommy Caton, Kevin Bond, David Cross, Nicky Reid.

FRONT ROW: Graham Baker, Kevin Reeves, Paul Power, Asa Hartford, Dennis Tueart, Ray Ranson, Phil Boyer.

I'M in the strange position this season of wanting to see the end of London's stranglehold on the FA Cup.

For the past four years, the coveted trophy has been the property of Tottenham (twice), Arsenal and my former club West Ham.

Now I'm hoping that Manchester City can make up for their 1981 Final disappointment and present me with my second winners' medal in the space of three years.

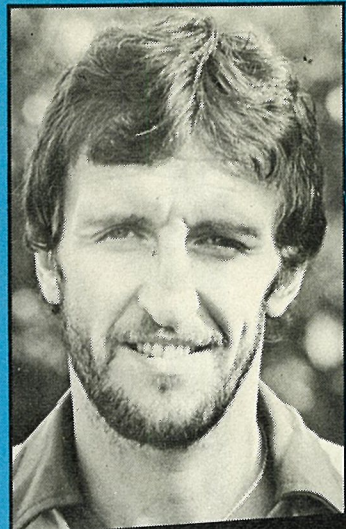
But there is a long way to go before that dream can be realised, starting with a difficult Third Round hurdle away to First Division rivals Sunderland on Saturday.

My first reaction to the draw was one of disappointment.

You always hope for a home draw to improve your chances of advancing into the next round,

THE DAVID CROSS COLUMN

The Manchester City striker — a former FA Cup winner with West Ham — hopes to use his experience to help take the Cup north for the first time in five years.



ROKER CHOKER!

and for the benefit of the club and the supporters.

When I heard the draw on the coach after our 3-1 defeat at Luton, it reminded me of some comments made by my former West Ham team-mate Trevor Brooking.

Referring to West Ham's glory trail in 1979-80 he recalled travelling back from Shrewsbury after a shock 3-0 defeat in the Second Division and then hearing we had been drawn away to West Brom in the Cup.

One could sense the sheer dejection among the players. It was as if salt had been rubbed in our wounds.

I missed the tie at West Brom through injury, but the lads battled well for a 1-1 draw and we took the honours in the replay 2-1.

Little did we know then that our Cup run would end at Wembley with the trophy.

So City's draw on top of a 3-1 defeat at Luton reminded me so very much of that situation three years ago.

The moral, I suppose, is that all is not lost with an away draw in the Third Round.

Going away to Sunderland obviously makes our task more difficult, but I believe City are capable of getting the right result at Roker Park.

I always enjoy playing at Sunderland because it's the area where my family comes from and I have cousins and uncles who still support the club.

It was also the place where I made my League debut for Norwich — we drew 1-1 — and while at West Ham we earned a replay there en route to the Fifth Round of the League Cup — the same year we won the Cup.

But on the debit side, I can also remember going there with West

... BUT CITY CAN DEFY TOUGH DRAW

Brom and getting stuffed 6-0!

An extended run in the Cup is gradually becoming more and more important to every club in view of the financial state of the game.

Apart from that, City fans are still disappointed at our exit from the Milk Cup at Southampton when another clash with Manchester United was imminent.

I am often asked whether there are any particular qualities a team need to win the Cup.

After West Ham's 1-0 victory over Arsenal in the 1980 Final, we often reflected on how we achieved it.

We appreciated that we were not the best team in the competition, but, apart from producing the goods on the day, we had that bit of luck that every Cup-winning side requires.

If it was simply a matter of skill and the best team winning, then Liverpool would be taking it home every year!

Liverpool were favourites for the trophy when we reached the Semi-Finals in 1980, and we were rated as the outsiders, after Arsenal and Everton.

But we managed to avoid both Arsenal and Liverpool and then the Londoners duly knocked out the favourites, which again suited us, because we always felt we had a better chance at Wembley against Arsenal.

The following Saturday after City's trip to Sunderland, we entertain my old club Norwich in a reversal of the opening day fixtures when I scored after just

three minutes of my City debut.

I know my old City pal Age Hareide is looking forward to the match because he is keen to prove something when he returns to Maine Road.

I am in constant touch with the Norwegian international defender, who is on loan at Norwich, and he keeps issuing threats about the game.

We have struck up a close relationship off the field but I can imagine that both of us will be very competitive on it.

On one hand, he will be out to show City fans what he can do and, on the other, I'm still out to prove myself to the club.

My last Maine Road appearance before Christmas ended after just ten minutes when I limped off in the 1-1 draw

with Brighton.

I was unable to put any weight on my left foot and I spent the rest of the game receiving treatment in the dressing room.

From what I can ascertain loanee winger Peter Bodak provided more telling crosses in one game than we've produced nearly all season . . . and I wasn't there to cash in.

I think City manager John Bond realises that I need this type of service from the flanks and that's why he recruited the young Manchester United winger on loan.

I hope that during his spell at Maine Road I can profit from his orthodox wing play.

David Cross

● David Cross was talking to Melvyn Beck.

Below: Flashback to West Ham's FA Cup victory three years ago. London clubs have dominated the competition in recent years.



MATCHFACTS MATCHFACTS

Monday, Dec. 20

F.A. Cup, Second Round, Replay

PLYMOUTH (0) 1 (McCartney 54)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 0
Att: 9,130

Plymouth: Crudgington 6, Nisbet 7, Uzzell 6, Harrison 5, ★**SMITH 9**, Cooper 5, Hodges 6, Cook 5, Sims 6, McCartney 7, Rogers 6.
Bristol Rovers: Kite 5, Slatter 5, Williams, B 6, ★**WILLIAMS, G 8**, Parkin 6, McCaffery 5, Channon 5, Williams, D 5 (sub. Platnaeur 6), Stephens 5, Withey 6, Barrett 5.
Referee: K. L. Burden (Dorset)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Harrison (Plymouth)

SCOTTISH

Scottish Cup, First Round, Replay

STRANRAER (0) 2 (Bryce 56, Dolan 60)
VALE OF LEITHEN (0) 0
Att: 460

Tuesday, Dec. 21

Milk Cup, Fourth Round, Replay

WEST HAM (1) 3 (Stewart, pen 33, Clark 65, Allen 88)
NOTTS COUNTY (0) 0
Att: 12,906

West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7, Brush 7, Orr 6, Martin 7, Devonshire 6, Van Der Elst 6, Goddard 6, Clark 7, ★**ALLEN 8**, Pike 7.
Notts County: Avramovic 6, Benjamin 6, ★**WORTHINGTON 8**, Hunt 6, Kilcline 7, Richards 6, Chiedoie 5, Christie 7, Fashanu 5, Goodwin 6, Clarke 6 (sub. Mair 6).
Referee: L. Shapter (Torquay)
Match Rating: ★★

Sunday, Dec. 26

Division Two

OLDHAM (1) 2 (Palmer 16, Ryan 82)
LEEDS (1) 2 (Burns 31, Sheridan 85)
Att: 15,658
Oldham: Goram 6, Hoelickin 7, Ryan 7, Bowden 6, Clements 7, ★**FUTCHER 8**, McDonough 7, Atkinson 7, Heaton 6 (sub. Keegan 7), Wylde 7, Palmer 7.
Leeds: Lukic 6, Dickinson 6, Gray 7, ★**SHERIDAN 9**, Hart 7, Burns 6, Hird 6, McNab 8, Butterworth 7, Thomas 6, Graham 6.
Referee: R. Bridges (Deeside)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Thomas (Leeds)

Division Three

MILLWALL (0) 0
ORIENT (0) 1 (Houchen 75)
Att: 4,740
Millwall: Sansome 6, Stevens 6, Stride 7, Massey 7, Allardyce 6, Roberts 7, Hayes 6, Chatterton 7, ★**AYLOTT 8**, Horrix 6 (sub. Neal 6), Martin 6.
Orient: Day 5, ★**ROFFEY 8**, Peach 7, Foster 7, Cunningham 7, Cornwell 7, Osgood 6, Godfrey 7, Houchen 7, Kitchen 7, Sussex 6 (sub. Smith 6).
Referee: M. L. James (Horsham)
Match Rating: ★★

Monday, Dec. 27

Division One

ARSENAL (1) 2 (Sunderland 40, Woodcock 87)
TOTTENHAM (0) 0
Att: 51,497
Arsenal: Jennings 8, Hollins 6, Sansom 6, Talbot 7, ★**O'LEARY 9**, Robson 6, Davis 6, Sunderland 6, Nicholas 6, Woodcock 7, Rix 7.
Spurs: Clemence 6, Hughton 6, O'Reilly 5, Roberts 6, Hazard 6, Perryman 6, Mabbutt 5, Archibald 6, Galvin 6 (sub. Brooke 6), Hoddle 6, Crooks 6.
Referee: L. C. Shapter (Torquay)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Robson (Arsenal)

PLAYER RATINGS

10 Out of this world
9 Outstanding
8 Excellent
7 Good
6 Adequate
5 Off form
4 Poor

MATCH RATINGS

★★★★★ A classic
★★★★★ Good value
★★★★ Satisfactory
★★★ Dull
★ A waste of money

BIRMINGHAM (1) 3 (Blake 22, Handysides 70, Ferguson 77)
ASTON VILLA (0) 0
Att: 43,864
Birmingham: Coton 7, Langan 5, Van Den Hauwe 6, Stevenson 7, Blake 8, Broadhurst 7, Dillon 7, Ferguson 5, Harford 5, Curbishley 6, ★**HANDYSIDES 9**.
Aston Villa: Rimmer 5, Jones 6, Williams 7, Evans 6, McNaught 6, Mortimer 6, ★**BREMNER 8**, Shaw 7, Withe 7, Cowans 6, Walters 7.
Referee: R. Lewis (Gt. Bookham)
Match Rating: ★★

BRIGHTON (0) 0
SOUTHAMPTON (0) 1 (Wallace 73)
Att: 21,794
Brighton: Digweed 6, Ramsey 6, Nelson 6, Greulich 7, ★**FOSTER 9**, Stevens 6, Case 7, Ritchie 7 (sub. Ryan), Robinson 6, Ward 8, Gattling 6.
Southampton: Shilton 6, Agboola 6, Rofe 7, Williams 7, Nicholl 7, Wright 7, Holmes 6, Puckett 6, Moran 7, Armstrong 6, ★**WALLACE 9**.
Referee: M. Dimplebee (Stevenage)
Match Rating: ★★

IPSWICH (1) 2 (Osman 29, Mariner 68)
NORWICH (1) 3 (Mendham 24, 65, O'Neill 89)
Att: 29,596
Ipswich: Cooper 7, Steggles 5, McCall 6, ★**THIJSEN 8**, Osman 6, Butcher 7, Wark 6, O'Callaghan 5 (sub. Putney 6), Mariner 6, Brazil 5, Gates 7.
Norwich: Woods 7, Haylock 6, Hareide 7, Mendham 7, Walford 7, Watson 6, Barham 7, ★**O'NEILL 8**, Channon 6, Bertschin 6, Van Wyk 6.
Referee: A. Gunn (Burgess Hill)
Match Rating: ★★

LIVERPOOL (3) 5 (Dalglish 16, 21, 86, Neal 19, Rush 61)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 2 (Cross 40, Caton 89)
Att: 44,664
Liverpool: Grobbelaar 7, Neal 7, Kennedy 7, Lawrenson 8, Whelan 7 (sub. Fairclough), Hansen 7, ★**DALGLISH 9**, Lee 8, Rush 7, Hodgson 7, Souness 6.
Man City: Corrigan 6, Ranson 6, McDonald 5, Bond 5, Power 6, Caton 5, Tueart 6, Reeves 6, Cross 6, Hartford 6, ★**BODAK 7**.
Referee: P. N. Willis (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★

LUTON (1) 1 (Goodyear 37)
WATFORD (0) 0
Att: 21,145
Luton: Findlay 8, Stephens 7, Money 7, Horton 8, Goodyear 8, Donaghy 7, Hill 7, Geddis 6, ★**WALSH 9**, Fuccillo 8, Moss 7.
Watford: Sherwood 8, Rice 8, Rostron 7, Taylor 7, Sims 7, Bolton 7, Callaghan 8, Blissett 7, Jenkins 7, Jackett 8, ★**BARNES 9**.
Referee: B. H. Daniels (Brentwood)
Match Rating: ★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 0
SUNDERLAND (0) 0
Att: 47,783
Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albiston 6, ★**MOSES 8**, Moran 6, McQueen 6, Robson 7, Muhren 6, Stapleton 6, Whiteside 5, Coppell 6.
Sunderland: ★**TURNER 9**, Nicholl 6, Venison 5, Atkins 7, Chisholm 6, Elliott 6, West 6, Rowell 6, Worthington 8, Pickering 5, Cummins 5.
Referee: F. Roberts (Prestatyn)
Match Rating: ★★

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (2) 4 (Young 39, Robertson, pen 45, Birtles 78, Proctor 85)
COVENTRY (2) 2 (Whitton 31, Melrose 42)
Att: 24,487
Nott'm Forest: Sutton 6, Swain 6, Gunn 6, Todd 6 (sub. Walsh 6), Young 7, Bowyer 6, Proctor 7, Wallace 7, ★**BIRTLES 8**, Hodge 6, Robertson 7.
Coventry: Sealey 6, Thomas 6, Jacobs 6 (sub. Hendrie 6), Butterworth 6, Dyson 6, Gillespie 6, Whitton 7, Francis 7, Hateley 6, Melrose 6, ★**HUNT 8**.
Referee: N. Glover (Chorley)
Match Rating: ★★

STOKE (0) 1 (Chamberlain, M 74)
EVERTON (0) 0
Att: 25,047
Stoke: ★**FOX 8**, Parkin 7 (sub. Maskery 7), Hampton 7, Bracewell 6, Watson 7, Berry 5, McIlroy 6, Painter 7, O'Callaghan 6, Thomas 7, Chamberlain, M 7.
Everton: Arnold 7, ★**STEVENS 8**, Bailey 6, Ratcliffe 6, Higgins 6, McMahon 7, Curran 7, Heath 6, Johnson 7, Richardson 6, Sheedy 6.
Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★
Sending Off: Berry (Stoke)

WEST BROM (1) 2 (Eastoe 44, Owen 84)
NOTTS COUNTY (0) 2 (Fashanu 56, Goodwin 60)
Att: 17,768
West Brom: Godden 6, Whitehead 6, Statham 6, Zondervan 7, Wile 7, ★**ROBERTSON 8**, Jol 6, Cross 6, Regis 6, Owen 6, Eastoe 6.
Notts County: Avramovic 6, Benjamin 7, ★**WORTHINGTON 8**, Hunt 7, Kilcline 7, Richards 7, Chiedoie 7, Fashanu 7 (sub. Christie), McCulloch 7, Goodwin 6, Mair 6.
Referee: N. Ashley (Nantwich)
Match Rating: ★★

WEST HAM (0) 3 (Stewart, pen 49, Van Der Elst 68, Goddard 86)
SWANSEA (2) 2 (Latchford 27, 39)
Att: 23,843
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7, Brush 7, Orr 5, Martin 6, ★**DEVONSHIRE 9**, Van Der Elst 7, Goddard 7, Clark 7, Allen 7, Pike 6.
Swansea: Davies 7, Stanley 7, Hadziabdic 6, Robinson 7, Evans 7, Rajkovic 7, James, L 7, James, R 6, Mahoney 7, ★**CHARLES 8**, Latchford 7.
Referee: I. J. Borrett (Suffolk)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Two

BARNLEY (0) 0
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 0
Att: 23,275
Barnley: Pierce 6, Joyce 6, Chambers 7, ★**GLAVIN 8**, Banks 7, McCarthy 7, Law 7, Parker 7, Cunningham 6, Ronson 7, Birch 6.
Sheff Wed: ★**BOLDER 8**, Sterland 6, Bailey 6, Smith 6, Lyons 7, Shelton 7, Megson 7, Taylor 7, Bannister 6, Mirocevic 6, Pearson 6.
Referee: G. Courtney (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★

BURNLEY (0) 0
BLACKBURN (1) 1 (Garner 32)
Att: 20,283
Burnley: O'Rourke 7, ★**LAWS 8**, Holt 6, Cassidy 5, Phelan 6, Flynn 6, Dobson 6, Steven 5, Hamilton 6, Taylor 6, Walsh 6.
Blackburn: Gennoe 7, Branagan 6, Rathbone 6, Randall 7, Mail 6, Fazackerley 7, Miller 6, ★**HAMILTON 8**, Bell 6, Garner 7, Brotherton 7.
Referee: A. Hamil (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★

BOLTON (0) 1 (Jones 71)
CARLISLE (0) 0
Att: 8,171
Bolton: McDonagh 7, Whitworth 6, Deakin 6, Henry 6, Jones 7, Doyle 6, ★**CHANDLER 8**, Whitmore 7, Foster 6, Hoggan 7, Thompson 6.
Carlisle: Swinburne 6, Parker 6, Haigh 6, Ashurst 7, Rushbury 6, Houghton 6, Lee 6, Hornsby 6, Poskett 7, Craig 6 (sub. Stanforth), ★**SHOULDER 8**.
Referee: A. Challinor (Rotherham)
Match Rating: ★★

CRYSTAL PALACE (1) 1 (Jones 15)
CHARLTON (0) 1 (White 78)
Att: 17,996
Crystal Palace: Fry 8, Gilbert 7, Murphy 7, Nebbeling 6, Cannon 7, Hinshelwood 6, Giles 6, Hughton 7, Jones 7, Langley 6, ★**HILAIRE 9**.
Charlton: Johns 6, Curtis 7, Aizlewood 7, McAllister 6, Gray 6, Berry 7, Simonsen 6, Harris 6, White 7, ★**GRITT 8**, Robinson 6.
Referee: J. E. Martin (Alton)
Match Rating: ★★

FULHAM (0) 1 (Brown 74)
CAMBRIDGE (1) 1 (Reilly 8)
Att: 9,105
Fulham: Peyton 6, Hopkins 6, Lock 6, O'Driscoll 6, Brown 7, ★**GALE 8**, Davies 7, Wilson 5, Coney 6, Houghton 6, Lewington 5.
Cambridge: Webster 7, Donaldson 6, Murray 5, Turner 6, Fallon 7, O'Neill 6, Cartwright 7, Spriggs 7, ★**REILLY 8**, Mayo 7, Fisher 6.
Referee: L. F. Burden (Dorset)
Match Rating: ★★

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 1 (Bell, pen 60)
LEICESTER (0) 1 (Lineker 49)
Att: 12,665
Middlesbrough: Platt 6, Ward 7, Bolton 7, Baxter 6, Nattrass 7, Otto 7, ★**WOOD 8**, Sugrue 7, Kennedy 7, Hankin 6, Bell 7.
Leicester: Wallington 6, Williams 6, Friar 7, MacDonald 7, ★**MAY 8**, O'Neill 7, Lynex 7, Lineker 7, Smith 7, Kelly 6, Wilson 6.
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWCASTLE (0) 1 (Gayle 19)
DERBY (0) 0
Att: 30,599
Newcastle: Carr 7, Craggs 7, Wharton 7, McCreery 7, Clarke 8, Haddock 6, Keegan 7, Gayle 7, Varadi 6, ★**MCDERMOTT 9**, Waddle 7.
Derby: Cherry 7, Barton 6 (sub. Brolly), Attley 7, McAlle 7, Foster 6, Mills 8, Davison 7, ★**GEMMILL 9**, Richards 6, Swindlehurst 6, Dalziel 6.
Referee: P. Tyldesley (Stockport)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Dalziel (Derby)

QPR (1) 1 (Sealy 22)
CHELSEA (1) 2 (Walker 29, Speedie 54)
Att: 23,744
QPR: Hucker 6, O'Connor 5, Davies 6, Roeder 6, ★**HAZELL 7**, Fenwick 6, Micklewhite 5 (sub. Burke 5), Sealy 6, Allen 6, Stewart 5, Gregory 5.
Chelsea: Francis 6, Jones 7, Hutchings 6, Chivers 7, Droy 7, Pates 6, Walker 7, Bumstead 7, ★**SPEEDIE 8**, Mayes 7, Rhoades-Brown 6.
Referee: D. A. Hedges (Oxford)
Match Rating: ★★

ROTHERHAM (2) 3 (Bonnyman, og 15, Walker 18, 70)
GRIMSBY (0) 0
Att: 9,231
Rotherham: Mountford 7, Forrest 6, Henson 7, McEwan 6, Hughes 7, Green 6, Townner 7, Gow 7, Moore 7, ★**WALKER 8**, McBride 6.
Grimsb: Batch 6, Moore, D 7, Crombie 6, Waters 6, Stone 6, Moore, K 6, Ford 6, Whymark 6, Drinkell 7, ★**BONNYMAN 8**, Cummings 6.
Referee: D. B. Allison (Lancaster)
Match Rating: ★★

SHREWSBURY (0) 0
WOLVES (1) 2 (Clarke 34, 55)
Att: 13,336
Shrewsbury: Ogrizovic 6, Williams 7, Leonad Leonard 6 (sub. Stevens 6), Petts 6, Pearson 7, Griffin 7, Cross 7, MacLaren 7, ★**BROWN 9**, McNally 7, Bates 6.
Wolves: Burridge 7, Humphrey 7, Palmer 6, Hibbitt 7, Pender 6, ★**DODD 9**, Rudge 7, Clarke 8, Gray 7, Eves 7, Matthews 7 (sub. Coy 6).
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★

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Division Three

BOURNEMOUTH (1) 1 (Lee 21)
READING (0) 1 (Tutty 85)
 Att: 6,118
Bournemouth: Allen 7, Heffernan 6, Sulley 6, Spackman 6, Brignull 7, Impey 7, Carter 7, Williams 6, Morgan 6, ***LEE 8**, Graham 6 (sub. Nightingale 6).
Reading: Judge 7, Tutty 7, Richardson 6, Beavon 7, Hicks 7, Wood 7, Bason 6 (sub. Donnellan 6), ***SANCHEZ 8**, Dixon 7, O'Sullivan 6, Earles 6.
Referee: A. Robinson (Waterlooville)
Match Rating: ★★

CARDIFF (1) 3 (Hatton 43, Hemmerman 79, 87)
NEWPORT (0) 2 (Bailey 83, Vaughan 86)
 Att: 15,972
Cardiff: ★**DIBBLE 9**, Jones 7, Mullen 7, Tong 7, Dwyer 7, Bennett, G 7, Bennett, D 8, Gibbins 7, Hatton 8, Hemmerman 8, Lewis 7.
Newport: Kendall 7, ★**JONES 8**, Relish 7, Bailey 7, Boyle 6, Stroud 7, Lowndes 6 (sub. Gwyther 6), Aldridge 6, Tynan 7, Vaughan 7, Elsey 7.
Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

EXETER (0) 1 (Neville 68)
PLYMOUTH (0) 0
 Att: 8,642
Exeter: Bond 8, Rogers, M 7, Viney 7, Harle 8, Marker 7, McEwan 7, Neville 8, Rogers, P 6, Kellow 7, ★**DELVE 9**, Pullar 8.
Plymouth: Hards 8, Nisbet 7, Uzzell 7, Harrison 7, Smith 6, Cooper, L 7, Hodges 7, Cooper, J 7, Sims 7, McCarty 7.
***ROGERS 9**.
Referee: D. W. Civil (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Weatherly 84)
SOUTHDEN (0) 0
 Att: 5,035
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 7, Adams 6, Bruce 7, Sittion 7 (sub. Miller 6).
***TYDEMAN 8**, White 7, Johnson 6, Cascarino 6, Price 6, Weatherly 7.
Southden: Cawston 7, Stead 6, Yates 7, Pennyfather 6, Hadley 6, Cusack 7, Pountney 7, Phillips 7, Mercer 6 (sub. Greaves).
***OTULAKOWSKI 8**, Nelson 6.
Referee: M. Bodenham (Brighton)
Match Rating: ★★

HUDDERSFIELD (1) 3 (Brown, pen 40, Lillis 64, Russell 70)
CHESTERFIELD (0) 1 (Henderson 71)
 Att: 11,603
Huddersfield: Cox 7, Brown 7, Burke 7, Stanton 7, Sutton 7, Hanvey 6, Lillis 7, ★**DOYLE 8**, Russell 7, Wilson 6, Cowling 6 (sub. Pugh).
Chesterfield: Gregory 7, Bellamy 7, Partridge 7, Wilson 6, ★**GREEN 8**, Pollard 7, Plummer 7, Gooding 6, Henderson 6, Kowalski 6, Kendall 6.
Referee: J. B. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★

OXFORD (2) 4 (Foley 19, 24, Grant 63, Lawrence 80)
BRISTOL ROVERS (1) 2 (McCaffery 42, Stephens 51)
 Att: 9,551
Oxford: Butcher 6, Linney 6, Grant 7, Brock 6, Fogg 8, Shotton 7, Lawrence 6, ★**FOLEY 9**, Vinter 7, Hebbard 6, Smithers 6.
Bristol Rovers: Kite 6, Slatter 5, ★**WILLIAMS, B 7**, Williams, G 6, Parkin 5, McCaffery 6, Holloway 6, Platnauer 6, Stephens 6, Kelly 5 (sub. Pulis), Barrett 5.
Referee: D. Letts (Aldershot)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

PORTSMOUTH (1) 2 (Ellis 30, Webb 56)
BRENTFORD (1) 1 (Joseph 34)
 Att: 14,476
Portsmouth: Knight 6, McLaughlin 6, Sullivan 6, Doyle 7, Howe 6, Aizlewood 7, Webb 6, ★**ELLIS 8**, Rafferty 7, Biley 6, Rogers 7.
Brentford: Roche 6, Strong 6, Wilkins 7, Booker 6, ★**WHITEHEAD 8**, Hurlock 7, Kamara 6, Joseph 6, Johnson 6, Bowles 7 (sub. Walker 6), Roberts 6.
Referee: M. James (Horsham)
Match Rating: ★★

PRESTON (0) 0
BRADFORD (0) 0
 Att: 7,238
Preston: ★**LITCHFIELD 8**, Westwell 7, McAteer 7, O'Riordan 7, Coleman 5 (sub. Bell 6), Gowling 7, Walsh 6, Sayer 6, Elliott 5, Naughton 6, Houston 6.

Bradford: ★**McMANUS 8**, Podd 7, Chapman 7, Lester 6, Jackson 7, Cherry 7, Gray 6, Ellis 6, Cooke 6, McNiven 7, Mellor 5 (sub. Gallagher 5).
Referee: T. A. Jones (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD UNITED (1) 3 (Morris, pen 41, pen 81, Edwards 87)
DONCASTER (0) 1 (Mell 72)
 Att: 16,139
Sheff Utd: Waugh 7, Henderson 6, Charles 6, McHale 6, MacPhail 6, Kenworthy 7, ★**MORRIS 8**, Trusson 6, Edwards 7, Young 6 (sub. Brazil 6), Ross 6.
Doncaster: ★**PEACOCK 8**, Russell 7, Watson 6, Snodin, I 6, Humphries 7, Wigginton 7, Mell 6, Owen 7, Austin 6, Snodin, G 6, Robertson 7.
Referee: D. Owen (Wirral)
Match Rating: ★★

WALSALL (0) 1 (Summerfield 69)
LINCOLN (1) 1 (Cockerill 31)
 Att: 5,284
Walsall: Green 7, ★**CASWELL 9**, Mower 6, Beech 8, Hawker 7, Hart 7, Penn 7, O'Kelly 7, Summerfield 7, Buckley 8, Shakespeare 6 (sub. Kearns 7).
Lincoln: Felgate 8, Carr 6, Neale 7, Cockerill 7, ★**PEAKE 9**, Thompson 7, Burke 8, Turner 7, Hobson 7, Bell 7, Shipley 6.
Referee: A. Barnes (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★

WREXHAM (0) 1 (Arkwright 86)
WIGAN (0) 1 (O'Keefe 89)
 Att: 4,591
Wrexham: ★**NIEDZWIECKI 8**, King 7, Bater 6, Savage 6, Dowman 7, Keay 6, Hunt 5 (sub. Hill 6), Gregory 5, Arkwright 6, Buxton 5, Muldoon 5.
Wigan: Tunks 7, McMahon 7, Cribble 6 (sub. Bradd), Langley 6, Walsh 6, Methven 7, Glenn 6, Barrow 7, Butler 6, ★**O'KEEFE 8**, Weston 6.
Referee: H. King (Merthyr Tydfil)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (0) 1 (Goddard 59)
SWINDON (0) 1 (Lewis 75)
 Att: 5,087
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Shrubbs 5, Gillard 6, Lucas 7, Wooler 8, Wood 8, Banton 5, Goddard 7, Sanford 7, ★**McDONALD 9**, Brodie 7 (sub. Fielder).
Swindon: Allen 6, Baile 6, Baddeley 7, Emmanuel 8, Lewis 7, Graham 8, ★**PRITCHARD 9**, Batty 6, Rideout 5, Rowland 5, Barnard 7.
Referee: J. Moules (Ongar)
Match Rating: ★★

BRISTOL CITY (0) 1 (Phillipson-Masters 57)
PORT VALE (1) 3 (Armstrong 44, Moss 59, Newton 62)
 Att: 6,729
Bristol City: Shaw 6, Newman 5, Johnson 6, Nicholls 5, ★**PHILLIPSON-MASTERS 7**, Riley 6 (sub. Garland 6), Cooper 6, Ritchie 5, Economou 5, Chandler 5, Crawford 6.
Port Vale: Siddall 6 (sub. Ridley), Tartt 6, Bromage 7, ★**HUNTER 8**, Sproson 6, Cegielski 6, Fox 7, Moss 7, Newton 6, Greenhoff 6, Armstrong 7.
Referee: A. R. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

HARTLEPOOL (0) 2 (Lawrence, pen 46, 56)
DARLINGTON (0) 0
 Att: 3,337
Hartlepool: Wright 6, Brown 7, Johnson 6, Hogan 6, Barker 7, Linighan 7, Staff 7, Smith 6, Linacre 7, ★**LAWRENCE 8**, Bainbridge 6.
Darlington: Cuff 6, Liddle 7, Wilson 6, Smith 7, Rhodes 7, Kamara 6, Gilbert 6, McLean 7, Honour 7, ★**WALSH 8**, Dunn 6 (sub. McDermott).
Referee: K. Hackett (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★

HULL (0) 1 (Skipper 55)
HALIFAX (0) 1 (Staniforth 85)
 Att: 10,042
Hull: Norman 7, Swann 5, Roberts, D 6, ★**SKIPPER 9**, Booth 6, Roberts, G 8, McClaren 6, Askew 6, Hawley 5, Flounders 5, Mutrie 6.
Halifax: ★**SMELT 8**, Nobbs 6, Evans 7, Smith 6, Goodman 6 (sub. Staniforth 7), Ward 5, Hendrie 6, Spooner 7, Wood 5, Allatt 6, Nuttall 5.
Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke-on-Trent)
Match Rating: ★★

NORTHAMPTON (1) 4 (Burrows 18, Massey 53, Saxby 56, Belfon 83)
CREWE (0) 0
 Att: 7,494
Northampton: Freeman 6, Tucker 7, Phillips 6 (sub. Belfon), Gage 7, ★**BURROWS 8**, Saxby 6, Coffill 6, Buchanan 7, Muir 7, Denyer 6, Massey 7.
Crewe: Smith 6, Salathiel 6, Bowers 6, Craven 7, Scott 6, ★**HART 8**, Haselgrave 7, Hanlon 6 (sub. Palios 7), Jones 6, Evans 7, Cliss 6.
Referee: K. Cooper (Pontypridd)
Match Rating: ★★

PETERBOROUGH (1) 2 (Winters 6, Slack 70)
COLCHESTER (1) 1 (Bremner 44)
 Att: 4,235
Peterborough: Seaman 6, Winters 7, Collins 5, Gynn 6, Firm 5, Slack 6, Clarke 5, Rodaway 6, Cooke 7, Benjamin 6 (sub. Chard 5), ★**QUOW 8**.
Colchester: Walker 5, Cook 6, Ward 6, Longhorn 6, Parker 5, Hull 7, Allinson 6, Osborne 7, McDonough 5, ★**BREMNER 8**, Leslie 6.
Referee: J. Key (Rotherham)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: McDonough and Parker (Colchester)

SCUNTHORPE (0) 1 (Cammack 89)
ROCHDALE (1) 1 (French, pen 32)
 Att: 4,845
Scunthorpe: Neenan 7, Keeley (sub. Cartwright 6), Pointon 6, Fowler 6, Bangs 7, Hunter 7, O'Berg 6, Cammack 7, ★**COWLING 8**, Angus 6, Parkinson 6.
Rochdale: Pearce 6, Keenan 6, Snookes 6, ★**FARRELL 8**, McElhinney 7, Williams 7, Thompson 7, Greaves 6, Hilditch 6, French 7, Martinez 7.
Referee: J. Bray (Hinkley)
Match Rating: ★★

STOCKPORT (2) 3 (Phillips 6, 40, Quinn 83)
BLACKPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 3,673
Stockport: Lloyd 7, Rutter 7, Sherlock 7, Emerson 8, Sword 7, Thorpe 6, Smith 7, ★**PHILLIPS 9**, Quinn 8, Power 7, Coyle 8.
Blackpool: Scott 6, Bardsley 7, Brockbank 7, Deary 6, Hetzke 7, Serella 7, Richardson 7, Jeffrey 7, ★**BAMBER 8**, Pashley 6, Downes 6 (sub. Noble 6).
Referee: L. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)
Match Rating: ★★

TORQUAY (1) 2 (Little 28, Crabbe, og 77)
HEREFORD (1) 1 (Crabbe 5)
 Att: 3,842
Torquay: Horn 7, Doyle 6, Wilson 7, ★**RIOCH 8** (sub. Young), Little 7, Hughes 6, Grapes 6, O'Donnell 6, Bishop 5, Anderson 7, Gallagher 6.
Hereford: Powell 7, ★**PRICE 8**, Bray 7, Hicks 6, Pejic 6, Crabbe 6, Harvey 6, Bartley 6, Phillips 5, McNeil 6, Lane 5.
Referee: C. Downey (Hounslow)
Match Rating: ★★

TRANMERE (1) 2 (Griffiths 34, Powell 87)
CHESTER (2) 4 (Lane 10, 31, Thomas 47, Ludlam 80)
 Att: 5,245
Tranmere: Endersby 6, Mungall 7, Burgess 7, Moore 6, Hamilton 6, Williams 6, Ferguson 6 (sub. Powell 6), Aspinall 6, Kerr 6, Brown 6, ★**GRIFFITHS 8**.
Chester: Salmon 6, Dean 6, Wilson 7, Storton 6, Bradley 6, Johnson 6, ★**SLOAN 8**, Lane 7, Thomas 6, Ludlam 7, Blackwell 6.
Referee: V. G. Callow (Solihull)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Williams (Tranmere), Blackwell (Chester)

WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Galliers 56)
MANSFIELD (0) 1 (Nicholson 89)
 Att: 2,517
Wimbledon: Beasant 7, Peters 7, Ferns 7, Galliers 8, Smith 6, Hatter 7, Evans 8, Hodges 7, Leslie 6, Downes 6 (sub. Ketteridge 6), ★**GAGE 9**.
Mansfield: ★**ARNOLD 9**, Bird 6, Kennedy 7, Bell 6, Ayre 5, Calderwood 6, Matthews 6, Hutchinson 7, Dungworth 8, Caldwell 7, Nicholson 6.
Referee: R. G. Milford (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Dungworth (Mansfield)

YORK (1) 3 (Bramhall, og 23, Pollard, pen 58, Walwyn 60)
BURY (0) 1 (Madden 61)
 Att: 5,174
York: Jones 7, Evans 7, ★**HAY 8**, Sbragia 7, Smith 7, Hood 7, Ford 7, Crosby 6, Walwyn 7 (sub. Laverick), Busby 7, Pollard 7.

Bury: Brown 6, Gardner 6, Davies 6, ★**GORE 8**, Bramhall 7, Halliday 6, Firth 6, Madden 7, Parker 6, Jakub 7, Potts 6.
Referee: H. Taylor (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Premier Division

ABERDEEN (1) 2 (Weir 4, Miller 85)
KILMARNOCK (0) 0
 Att: 14,500
Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Kennedy 6, Rougvie 7, Cooper 6, McLeish 7, Miller 7, Strachan 7, Simpson 7, McGhee 6, Black 7, ★**WEIR 8**.
Kilmarnock: McCulloch 6, McLean 6, Robertson 6, Clark 6, McDicken 6, Clarke 7, ★**McGIVERN 8**, McLeod 7, Bourke 6, Cockburn 6, Gallagher 6.
Referee: H. Young (Larkhall)
Match Rating: ★★

CELTIC (1) 5 (Nicholas, pen 41, MacLeod 53, McGarvey 60, 80, Reid 82)
MORTON (1) 1 (MacLeod, og 30)
 Att: 19,993
Celtic: Bonner 7, McGrain 7, Sinclair 6, Moyes 6 (sub. Reid 6), McAdam 7, ★**MacLEOD 8**, Provan 7, McStay 7, McGarvey 7, Burns 7, Nicholas 7.
Morton: Baines 6, Houston 6, Holmes 7, ★**ROONEY 8**, McLaughlin 6, Duffy 7, McNeil 6, Slavin 6, Hutchison 6, Cochran 6, McNab 6.
Referee: R. Valentine (Dundee)
Match Rating: ★★

HIBERNIAN (0) 0
RANGERS (0) 0
 Att: 15,900
Hibs: ★**ROUGH 8**, Sneddon 6, Turnbull 6, Jamieson 7, Rae 7, McNamara 7, Conroy 6, Rice 6, Duncan 6, Callachan 7, Murray 7.
Rangers: Stewart 7, McKinnon 7, Redford 7, McClelland 7, Paterson 7, Bett 6, Mackay 6, Russell 6, Kennedy 7, Black 6, ★**MacDONALD 8**.
Referee: C. J. White (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★

ST MIRREN (0) 0
DUNDEE (0) 0
 Att: 4,412
St Mirren: Thomson 7, Wilson 6, Abercromby 6, Fitzpatrick 7, Fulton 7, Clarke 6, Stark 7, Richardson 6, Somner 6, McAvennie 6, ★**SCANLON 8**.
Dundee: Kelly 7, Glennie 6, McKimmie 6, Fraser 6, Smith 7, MacDonald 6, Murphy 7, Bell 6, ★**SINCLAIR 8**, Mackie 6, McGeachie 6.
Referee: L. B. Thow (Ayr)
Match Rating: ★★

DUNDEE UNITED (2) 5 (Milne 31, Bannon, pen 36, Reilly 59, Hegarty 62, Sturrock 82)
MOTHERWELL (0) 0
 Att: 7,682
Dundee Utd: McAlpine 7, Stark 6, Malpas 7, Gough 7, Hegarty 7, Narey 7, Bannon 7, ★**MILNE 8**, Reilly 6, Sturrock 7, Dodds 7.
Motherwell: Sproat 6, MacLeod 6, Forsyth 6, Forbes 6, Edvaldsson 7, ★**MAUCHLEN 8**, Gahagan 6 (sub. Clinging 6), Flavell 7, McLaughlin 6 (sub. McClelland 6), McClair 6, O'Hara 6.
Referee: H. Williamson (Renfrew)
Match Rating: ★★

First Division

AIRDRIE (1) 1 (Rodgers 27)
RAITH (1) 2 (Harris 21, Spence 60)
 Att: 1,256

AYR (0) 0
HEARTS (3) 3 (Pettigrew 4, O'Connor 6, MacDonald 24)
 Att: 3,448
Sending Off: MacDonald (Hearts)

CLYDEBANK (0) 2 (Coyne 52, Williamson 66)
ALLOA (1) 2 (Purdie 14, McComb 72)
 Att: 560

DUNFERMLINE (1) 1 (Wilcox 43)
HAMILTON (0) 1 (Fairlie, pen 80)
 Att: 1,360
FALKIRK (0) 2 (Mackin 52, Jobson 76)
DUMBARTON (0) 1 (Dunlop 58)
 Att: 1,789

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QUEEN'S PARK (0) 1 (Quinn 85)
PARTICK (1) 4 (Jardine 27, Johnston 54,
 Watson 65, Park 72)
 Att: 2,385

ST JOHNSTONE (0) 2 (Morton 54, pen 64)
CLYDE (0) 1 (Masterton 44)
 Att: 3,251

Second Division

ARBROATH (1) 3 (Gavine 15, Robb 46,
 Steele 48)
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (1) 2 (Clay 29,
 Wilkie 88)
 Att: 756

EAST FIFE (1) 4 (Caithness 30, 69, Kirk 46,
 Hutt 48)
ALBION (1) 3 (Evans 31, Conn 68, Burgess
 88)
 Att: 462

MEADOWBANK (0) 0
EAST STIRLING (0) 0
 Att: 325

MONTROSE (0) 0
COWDENBEATH (1) 4 (Liddle 1, 74,
 Mitchell 55, McIntosh 76)
 Att: 300

STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0
FORFAR (1) 1 (Lorimer 42)
 Att: 120

STIRLING ALBION (1) 1 (Torrance 44)
BRECHIN (1) 1 (Paterson 37)
 Att: 620

STRANRAER (0) 1 (Sweeney 70)
BERWICK (0) 0
 Att: 350

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Division One

COVENTRY (2) 3 (Hormantschuk 25,
 Hateley 40, Melrose 70)
MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 0
 Att: 18,938
 Coventry: Sealey 7, Thomas 8,
 Hormantschuk 7, Butterworth 7, **★DYSON**
 9, Gillespie 8, Whitten 8, Francis 7, Hateley 7,
 Melrose 8, Hunt 7.
 Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albiston 6,
 Moses 5, Moran 5, McQueen 5, Robson 6,
 Wilkins 6, Stapleton 5, McGarvey 6,
★GRIMES 7.
 Referee: B. Daniels (Brentwood)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

EVERTON (2) 3 (Sharp 23, 27, McMahon 60)
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 1 (Hodge 65)
 Att: 25,147
 Everton: Arnold 7, Stevens 7, Bailey 8,
 Ratcliffe 8, Higgins 7, McMahon 7, Curran 8,
★SHARP 9 (sub. Heath), Johnson 6, Reid 8,
 Sheedy 7.
 Nott'm Forest: Sutton 6, Swain 6, Gunn 7,
 Todd 5 (sub. Walsh 6), Young 6, **★BOWYER**
 8, Proctor 6, Wallace 5, Birtles 6, Hodge 7,
 Robertson 7.
 Referee: K. Redfern (Whiteley Bay)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

MANCHESTER CITY (1) 2 (Kinsey 26,
 Robertson, og 75)
WEST BROM (0) 1 (Brown 65)
 Att: 25,172
 Man City: Corrigan 6, Ranson 6, McDonald 6,
 Reid 6, Kinsey 6, Bond 7, Tueart 7, Reeves 6,
 Cross 5 **★HARTFORD 8**, Bodak 6.
 West Brom: Godden 6, Whitehead 5,
 Statham 6, Zondervan 5 (sub. Bennett 6),
 Wile 6, Robertson 5, Jol 6, **★BROWN 8**,
 Regis 6, Owen 6, Eastoe 5.
 Referee: C. Seal (Carlisle)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

NORWICH (1) 1 (Channon 10)
LUTON (0) 0
 Att: 21,367
 Norwich: Woods 7, Haylock 7, Downs 6,
 Mendham 7, Walford 7, Watson 7, Barham 7,
★O'NEILL 8, Channon 7, Bertschin 7, Van
 Wyk 6.
 Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 6, Money 6,
 Horton 7, **★GOODYEAR 9**, Turner 6, Hill 8,
 Geddis 6, Walsh 6, Fuccillo 5 (sub. Antic 7),
 Moss 6.
 Referee: T. Mills (Barnsley)
 Match Rating: ★★

NOTTS COUNTY (2) 4 (Mair 27, McCulloch
 42, 65, Goodwin 64)
STOKE (0) 0
 Att: 11,600
 Notts County: Avramovic 7, Benjamin 7,
 Worthington 7, Hunt 7, Kilcline 6, Richards 7,
★CHIEDOZIE 9, Fashanu 7, McCulloch 8
 (sub. Hooks), Goodwin 8, Mair 7.
 Stoke: Fox 5, Parkin 5, Hampton 5, Bracewell
 6, **★WATSON 7**, Berry 6, Painter 5 (sub.
 Maskery 6), McLroy 6, O'Callaghan 5,
 Thomas 6, Chamberlain, M 6.
 Referee: D. J. Axcell (Southend)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

SOUTHAMPTON (0) 2 (Holmes 52, Puckett
 53)
ARSENAL (1) 2 (Woodcock 45, Chapman 74)
 Att: 22,025
 Southampton: Shilton 7, Agboola 7, Rofe 6
 (sub. Cassells), Williams 6, Nicholl 6, Wright
 6, Holmes 7, Puckett 6, Moran 6,
★ARMSTRONG 8, Wallace 7.
 Arsenal: Jennings 7, **★HOLLINS 8**, Sansom
 6, Talbot 7, O'Leary 7, Nicholas 5, Davis 7,
 Sunderland 6, Robson 7, Woodcock 6 (sub.
 Chapman), Rix 6.
 Referee: K. W. Baker (Rugby)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

SUNDERLAND (0) 0
LIVERPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 35,041
 Sunderland: Turner 8, Nicholl 7, Pickering 7,
 Atkins 8, Chisholm 7, Elliott 7 (sub. McCoist
 6), **★VENISON 9**, Rowell 6, Worthington 6,
 Cooke 7, Cummins 6.
 Liverpool: Grobbelaar 6, Neal 7, Kennedy 7,
 Lawrenson 7, Nicol 8, **★HANSEN 9**, Dalglish
 6, Lee 7, Rush 6, Hodgson 6, Souness 7.
 Referee: D. Hutchinson (Harrogate)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

TOTTENHAM (1) 2 (Villa 37, Hughton 69)
BRIGHTON (0) 0
 Att: 23,994
 Spurs: Clemence 7, Hughton 7, **★O'REILLY**
 8, Roberts 6 (sub. Crook 6), Hazard 6,
 Perryman 7, Brooke 7, Archibald 5, Villa 7,
 Huddle 6, Crooks 6.
 Brighton: Digweed 7, Ramsey 6, Nelson 5,
 Grealish 6, **★FOSTER 8**, Stevens 7, Case 7,
 Ritchie 5, Robinson 6, Ward 6, Gattling 7.
 Referee: K. P. Barratt (Coventry)
 Match Rating: ★★

Division Two

CAMBRIDGE (0) 1 (Cannon, og 67)
CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
 Att: 4,822
 Cambridge: Webster 7, Donaldson 6, Murray
 7, Turner 7, Fallon 7, **★O'NEILL 8**,
 Cartwright 6, Spriggs 6, Reilly 6, Mayo 6,
 Fisher 6.
 Crystal Palace: Fry 6, Gilbert 6, Murphy 6,
 Nebbeling 6, Cannon 6, Hinshelwood 6,
★GILES 8, Hughton 6, Jones 6, Langley 7,
 Hilaire 6.
 Referee: D. Hedges (Oxford)
 Match Rating: ★★

CARLISLE (0) 1 (Shoulder 83)
MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 3 (Bell 35, 68,
 Sugrue 78)
 Att: 8,181
 Carlisle: **★SWINBURNE 8**, Parker 7, Haigh
 6, Ashurst 7, Rushbury 7, Houghton 6,
 Staniforth 6 (sub. Coughlin 6), Craig 6,
 Poskett 7, Bannon 6, Shoulder 7.
 Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Ward 7, Bolton 7,
 Baxter 7, Nattrass 8, Otto 7, Sugrue 8,
 Kennedy 7, Wood 8, Hankin 7 (sub. Cochrane
 7), **★BELL 9**.
 Referee: R. Guy (Kirby)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

CHELSEA (0) 0
FULHAM (0) 0
 Att: 29,797
 Chelsea: Francis 6, Jones 6, Hutchings 6,
 Chivers 6, Droy 6, Pates 6, Walker 6,
 Bumstead 6, **★SPEEDIE 7**, Mayes 6 (sub.
 Fillery), Rhoades-Brown 6.
 Fulham: **★PEYTON 7**, Hopkins 6, Lock 6,
 O'Driscoll 6, Brown 6, Gale 6, Davies 6,
 Wilson 6, Coney 6, Houghton 6, Lewington 6.
 Referee: B. Hill (Kettering)
 Match Rating: ★★

GRIMSBY (1) 2 (Drinkell 28, 79)
NEWCASTLE (0) 2 (Varadi 57, Gayle 72)
 Att: 14,983
 Grimsby: Batch 6, Moore, D 6, Crombie 6,
 Waters 7, Cooper 7, Moore, K 7, Ford 7,
 Whymark 7, **★DRINKELL 8**, Bonnyman 5,
 Cummings 5 (sub. Whitlock 6).

Newcastle: Carr 6, Carney 6, Wharton 5,
 McCreery 7 (sub. Martin 6), Clarke 7, Haddock
 6, Keegan 5, **★GAYLE 8**, Varadi 6,
 McDermott 6, Waddle 6.
 Referee: M. Scott (Nottingham)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

LEEDS (0) 1 (Graham 62)
BOLTON (0) 1 (Whatmore 66)
 Att: 16,180
 Leeds: Lukic 7, Dickinson 6 (sub. Gavin 6),
 Gray, F 7, Sheridan 6, **★HART 8**, Burns 6,
 Hird 6, Butterworth 7, Aspin 6, Thomas 6,
 Graham 7.
 Bolton: McDonagh 7, Whitworth 7, Deakin 6,
 Henry 6, Jones 7, **★DOYLE 8**, Chandler 6,
 Foster 7, Whatmore 7, Hoggan 6, Thompson
 6.
 Referee: H. Taylor (Leicester)
 Match Rating: ★★

LEICESTER (1) 1 (Smith, A 6)
BARNLEY (0) 0
 Att: 14,838
 Leicester: **★WALLINGTON 8**, Williams 7,
 Friar 6, MacDonald 7, May 7, O'Neill 6, Smith,
 R 6, Lineker 7, Smith, A 7, Kelly 7, Wilson 7.
 Barnley: Pierce 6, Joyce 6, Chambers 6,
 Glavin 7, Banks 7, McCarthy 6, Law 7,
★PARKER 8, Ronson 7, Cunningham 7,
 Birch 7.
 Referee: E. J. Scales (Ware)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 0
ROTHERHAM (0) 1 (McBride 71)
 Att: 25,024
 Sheff Wed: Bolder 6, **★STERLAND 8**, Bailey
 7, Smith 6, Lyons 7, Shelton 6, Megson 7,
 Taylor 6, Bannister 7, Mirocevic 6 (sub.
 McCulloch), Pearson 6.
 Rotherham: Mountford 7, Forrest 7, Henson
 6, McEwan 7, Hughes 7, Green 7, Townner 6,
★GOW 8, Seaman 6, Walker 6, McBride 7.
 Referee: R. Bridges (Deeside)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

WOLVES (0) 2 (Eves 70, Gray 89)
BURNLEY (0) 0
 Att: 21,961
 Wolves: Burrridge 7, Humphrey 7, **★PALMER**
 8, Rudge 7 (sub. Coy 6), Pender 7, Dodd 7,
 Hibbitt 7, Clarke 7, Gray 7, Eves 7, Smith 7.
 Burnley: O'Rourke 6, Laws 5, Holt 5, Cassidy
 5, Phelan 6, Flynn 5, Dobson 6, Steven 6,
★HAMILTON 7, Taylor 6, Scott 6.
 Referee: K. G. Salmon (Barnet)
 Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

BRADFORD (0) 0
WREXHAM (0) 0
 Att: 5,542
 Bradford: McManus 7, Podd 7, Chapman 6,
★LESTER 8, Jackson 7, Cherry 7, Ellis 6,
 Gray 6, Cooke 6, McNiven 6, Mellor 6.
 Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, Hunt 6, Bater 6,
 Savage 7, **★DOWMAN 8**, Barker 6,
 Arkwright 7, Gregory 6 (sub. Hill 6), Keay 6,
 King 6, Buxton 6.
 Referee: M. Peck (Kendall)
 Match Rating: ★★

BRENTFORD (0) 1 (Joseph 75)
GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Bruce 48)
 Att: 7,796
 Brentford: Roche 6, Strong 7, Wilkins 5,
 Booker 6, Whitehead 6, Walker 6, Kamara 6,
 Joseph 7, Johnson 5 (sub. Bowen 5), Bowles
 6, **★ROBERTS 8**.
 Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 6, Adams 6,
 Bruce 6, Weatherly 6, Tydeman 7, **★POWELL**
 8, Johnson 6, Casciarino 6, Price 6, White 6.
 Referee: B. T. Stevens (Stonehouse)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

CHESTERFIELD (2) 3 (Henderson 4, 90,
 Wilson 46)
SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 1 (Trusson 60)
 Att: 11,458
 Chesterfield: Gregory 6, Bellamy 6, Partridge
 7, **★WILSON 8**, Green 6, Pollard 6, Plummer
 5, Gooding 7 (sub. Windridge), Henderson 6,
 Kowalski 6, Kendal 7.
 Sheff Utd: Waugh 6, Henderson 4, Garner 5,
 McHale 6, MacPhail 4, Kenworthy 5, Morris
 7, Trusson 6, **★EDWARDS 8**, Charles 6 (sub.
 Brazil 6), Ross 7.
 Referee: T. Fitzharris (Bolton)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

DONCASTER (1) 2 (Mell 40, Austin 47)
PRESTON (0) 0
 Att: 3,895
 Doncaster: Peacock 7, Russell 7, Watson 6,
 Snodin, I 7, Humphries 7, Wigginton 6, Mell
 7, Owen 6, **★AUSTIN 8**, Snodin, G 6,
 Robertson 7.

Preston: ★LITCHFIELD 8, Westwell 6,
 McAteer 6, O'Riordan 5, Bell 5, Gowing 5,
 Walsh 6 Sayer 5 (sub. Bruce), Elliott 6, Kelly
 6, Houston 7.
 Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle-upon-Tyne)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

LINCOLN (1) 1 (Cockerill 24)
HUDDERSFIELD (0) 2 (Lillis 54, Hanvey 63)
 Att: 11,829
 Lincoln: Felgate 7, Carr 6, **★NEALE 8**,
 Cockerill 7, Peake 6, Thompson 6, Burke 6,
 Turner 7, Hobson 6, Bell 6, Shipley 7.
 Huddersfield: Cox 8, Brown 7, Burke 7,
 Stanton 8, Sutton 8, Hanvey 8, Lillis 7, Doyle
 7, **★RUSSELL 9**, Wilson 7, Cowling 8.
 Referee: G. Naphthine (Loughborough)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

NEWPORT (0) 1 (Tynan 58)
OXFORD (1) 2 (Hebbard 43, pen 61)
 Att: 5,836
 Newport: Kendall 5, Jones 5, Relish 6 (sub.
 Gwyther), Bailey 6, Boyle 6, Stroud 7,
 Lowndes 7, Aldridge 7, **★TYNAN 8**,
 Vaughan 6, Elsey 7.
 Oxford: Burton 7, Linney 7, Smithers 6,
★BROCK 8, Fogg 5 (sub. Jones 6), Shotton
 7, Lawrence 7, Foley 6, Vinter 6, Hebbard 7,
 Train 7.
 Referee: A. Crickmore (Plymouth)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

ORIENT (2) 5 (Kitchen 5, Godfrey 39, 60,
 Cornwell 47, Houchen 87)
BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
 Att: 3,718
 Orient: Day 6, Roffey 5, Peach 6, Foster 7,
 Cunningham 7, **★CORNWELL 8**, Osgood 6
 (sub. Smith 6), Godfrey 7, Houchen 6, Kitchen
 7, Sussex 6.
 Bournemouth: Allen 5, **★HEFFERNAN 8**,
 Sulley 6, Spackman 7, Brignull 7, Impey 6,
 Carter 7, Williams 5, Morgan 7, Lee 6,
 Graham 5.
 Referee: A. W. Grey (Gt. Yarmouth)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

PLYMOUTH (1) 3 (Sims 12, 78, Carter 59)
CARDIFF (2) 2 (Hutton 13, Bennett, G 43)
 Att: 8,631
 Plymouth: Hards 5, Nisbet 6, Uzzell 5,
 Harrison 6, Smith 7, Cooper 5, Hodges 6,
 Carter 6, Sims 8, McCartney 7, **★RODGERS**
 9.
 Cardiff: Dibble 6, Jones 5, Mullen 5, Tong 6,
★DWYER 8, Bennett, G 6, Bennett, D 7,
 Gibbins 6, Hutton 7, Giles 6, Lewis 5.
 Referee: T. Spencer (Salisbury)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

READING (0) 1 (Dixon 64)
PORTSMOUTH (0) 2 (Biley 56, Aizlewood,
 pen 70)
 Att: 7,646
 Reading: Judge 5, Williams 5, Richardson 6,
 Beavon 6, **★HICKS 7**, Wood 5, Bason 5,
 Sanchez 5 (sub. Donnellan), Dixon 6,
 O'Sullivan 5, Earles 5.
 Portsmouth: Knight 5, McLaughlin 5,
 Sullivan 5, Doyle 6, **★HOWE 7**, Aizlewood 6,
 Webb 5, Ellis 6, Rafferty 6 (sub. Crown), Biley
 6, Rogers 6.
 Referee: D. W. Lloyd (Worcester)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

SOUTHEND (0) 1 (Cusack 49)
MILLWALL (1) 1 (Neal 10)
 Att: 4,710
 Southend: **★CAWSTON 9**, Stead 7, Yates 6,
 Hadley 7, Otulakowski 8, Cusack 7, Pountney
 7, Phillips 7, Mercer 6, Pennyfather 6, Nelson
 7.
 Millwall: **★SANSOME 9**, Stevens 6, Stride
 6, Massey 8, Allardyce 7, Roberts 7,
 Chatterton 7, Neal 7, Aylott 8, Madden 6,
 Hayes 8.
 Referee: M. J. Taylor (Walmer)
 Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division Four

BLACKPOOL (0) 0
TRANMERE (1) 2 (Brown 40, 85)
 Att: 3,563
 Blackpool: Scott 6, Bardsley 6,
★PRITCHETT 8, Deary 6, Hetzke 6, Serella
 6, Richardson 6, Jeffrey 6, Bamber 7, Pashley
 7, Stewart 6.
 Tranmere: Endersby 7, **★MUNGALL 8**,
 Burgess 7, Mooney 7, Hamilton 7, Williams 6
 (sub. Powell 6), Ferguson 6, Aspinall 7, Kerr
 7, Brown 7, Griffiths 7.
 Referee: T. Holbrook (Wolverhampton)
 Match Rating: ★★

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BURY (2) 4 (Madden 31, 45, pen 74, Potts 75)
HARTLEPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 3,278
Bury: Brown 7, Gardner 7, ★**BRAMHALL 8**, Halliday 7, Davies 7, Potts 6, Gore 7, Jakub 6, Madden 7, Parker 5, Firth 6.
Hartlepool: Wright 6, Brown 6, ★**LINIGHAN 7**, Barker 6, Bainbridge 5, Smith 6, Hogan 5, Johnson 5, Staff 6, Lawrence 5 (sub. Smithers 5), Linacre 5.
Referee: B. L. Newsome (Broseley)
Match Rating: ★★

CHESTER (0) 0
STOCKPORT (0) 2 (Power 75, Quinn, pen 81)
 Att: 2,459
Chester: Salmon 5, Dean 6, Wilson 7, Storton 6, Bradley 5, Johnson 5, Sloan 7, Lane 6, Thomas 7, ★**LUDLAM 8**, Blackwell 5 (sub. Cooke 6).
Stockport: Lloyd 7, Rutter 6, Sherlock 5, Emerson 6, Sword 5, Thorpe 5, Smith 7, Phillips 7, ★**QUINN 8**, Power 7, Coyle 6.
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★

COLCHESTER (0) 0
ALDRSHOT (0) 0
 Att: 2,463
Colchester: Walker 6, ★**COOK 7**, Ward 6, Longhorn 5, Wignall 6, Packer 6, Allinson 6, Osborne 6, McDonough 5, Bremner 6, Hull 5 (sub. Adcock).
Aldershot: Johnson 7, Shrubbs 6, Gillard 6, Goddard 5, Wooler 6, Jopling 6, Lucas 5, ★**BANTON 8**, Sanford 7, McDonald 6, Robinson 5.
Referee: J. Deakin (Bedford)
Match Rating: ★

CREWE (0) 0
PETERBOROUGH (2) 3 (Clarke 5, Gynn 35, 67)
 Att: 1,631
Crewe: Smith 6, Salathiel 5, Bowers 6, Craven 6 (sub. Jones 5), Scott 5, ★**HART 7**, Haslegrave 5, Palios 5, Waller 5, Evans 6, Cliss 6.
Peterborough: Seaman 6, Winters 7, Collins 7, ★**GYNN 8**, Firm 7, Slack 7, Clarke 6, Rodaway 7, Cooke 6 (sub. Chard 6), Benjamin 6, Quow 7.
Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)
Match Rating: ★★

DARLINGTON (0) 1 (Walsh 67)
HULL (1) 2 (Askew 4, Marwood 57)
 Att: 2,614
Darlington: Cuff 5, Liddle 6, Young 7, Smith 7, ★**GYNN 8**, Kamara 6, Gilbert 6, ★**MCLEAN 8**, Honour 6, Walsh 7, Dunn 5.
Hull: Norman 6, Swann 6, ★**ASKEW 8**, Roberts, D 6, Skipper 7, Booth 7, Marwood 7, Davis 6, Whitehurst 6, Mutrie 7, Roberts, G 7.
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ★★

HALIFAX (2) 3 (Spooner 3, Staniforth 12, Nuttall 69)
SCUNTHORPE (0) 1 (Parkinson, pen 61)
 Att: 2,270
Halifax: Smelt 7, Nobbs 7, Wood 7, Evans 7, Smith 7, ★**HENDRIE 8**, Ward 6, Spooner 7, Allatt 7, Nuttall 7, Staniforth 7.
Scunthorpe: Neenan 7, Oates 6, Pointon 6, Fowler 6, Baines 7, Hunter 7, O'Berg 6, ★**CAMMACK 8**, Cowling 6, Angus 7, Parkinson 7.
Referee: J. Hough (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★

HEREFORD (1) 1 (McNeil 12)
BRISTOL CITY (3) 3 (Ritchie 4, Chandler 11, Kelly 39)
 Att: 3,548
Hereford: Powell 7, Price 7, Bray 6, Hicks 6, ★**PEJIC 8**, Musial 7, Harvey 6, Lane 5, Phillips 7, McNeil 6, White 7.
Bristol City: Shaw 7, Newman 7, Johnson 7, Nicholls 8, Phillipson-Masters 7, Garland 7, Kelly 7, Ritchie 6, Cooper 7, ★**CHANDLER 9**, Crawford 6.
Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

MANSFIELD (1) 2 (Caldwell 30, Matthews 76)
NORTHAMPTON (0) 0
 Att: 2,841
Mansfield: Arnold 6, Bird 5, Kennedy 6, Bell 5, Ayre 6, Calderwood 7, ★**MATTHEWS 8**, Hutchinson 6, Dungworth 5, Caldwell 7, Nicholson 5.

Northampton: Freeman 6, Tucker 5, Phillips 6 (sub. Belfon 5), Gage 6, Burrows 6, Coffill 5, Saxby 6, Buchanan 6, ★**MUIR 7**, Massey 6, Denyer 5.
Referee: P. A. Tyldesley (Stockport)
Match Rating: ★★

PORT VALE (0) 1 (Moss 64)
TORQUAY (0) 0
 Att: 4,760
Port Vale: McAdam 7, Tarrt 6, Bromage 6, Hunter 7, Sproson 7, Cegielski 6, ★**FOX 9**, Moss 7, Newton 7, Armstrong 7 (sub. Ridley 6), Greenhoff 7.
Torquay: Horn 6, Doyle 6, Wilson 6, Young 6, Little 6, ★**HUGHES 7**, Grapes 6, O'Donnell 6 (sub. Brown 6), Cooper 6, Anderson 6, Gallagher 5.
Referee: R. Nixon (Wirral)
Match Rating: ★★

ROCHDALE (0) 1 (Farrell 89)
YORK (0) 0
 Att: 2,127
Rochdale: Pearce 7, Keenan 7 (sub. Wellings 7), Snookes 7, ★**FARRELL 8**, McElhinney 7, Williams 7, Thompson 6, Greaves 6, French 6, Hilditch 6, Martinez 6.
York: ★**JONES 8**, Evans 6, Hay 6, Sbragia 5, Smith 6, Hood 7, Ford 5, Crosby 7, Byrne 5, Busby 6 (sub. Stanley), Pollard 5.
Referee: J. Lovatt (Crewe)
Match Rating: ★★

SWINDON (0) 0
WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Leslie 74)
 Att: 8,164
Swindon: Allan 7, Bailie 7, Baverstock 7, Emmanuel 7, Lewis 6, ★**GRAHAM 8**, Pritchard 6, Batty 7, Quinn 5, Rowland 7, Barnard 6.
Wimbledon: Beasant 6, Peters 7, Ferns 6, Galliers 6, ★**SMITH 8**, Hatter 7, Evans 6, Ketteridge 6, Leslie 6, Downes 7, Gage 7.
Referee: J. E. Bray (Hinxley)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Ferns (Wimbledon)

Wednesday, Dec. 29

Division One

ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Withe 19)
IPSWICH (1) 1 (Wark 44)
 Att: 21,912
Aston Villa: Spink 6, Williams 7 (sub. Morley 6), Gibson 7, Evans 7, McNaught 7, Mortimer 7, Bremner 7, Shaw 6, Withe 7, Cowans 6, ★**WALTERS 8**.
Ipswich: ★**COOPER 9**, Steggles 6, Gernon 6, Thijssen 7, Osman 8, Butcher 8, Wark 6, Putney 6 (sub. O'Callaghan 6), McCall 6, Brazil 6, Gates 7.
Referee: R. Milford (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

SWANSEA (0) 0
BIRMINGHAM (0) 0
 Att: 11,840
Swansea: Davies 6, Robinson 6, ★**HADZIABDIC 8**, Mahoney 6, Evans 6, Rajkovic 7, Curtis 7, James, R 7, James, L 6, Charles 6 (sub. Stevenson 6), Latchford 6.
Birmingham: Coton 6, Langan 7, Van Den Hauwe 6, Stevenson 7, ★**BLAKE 8**, Broadhurst 6, Dillon 6, Harford 6, Ferguson 6, Curbishley 6, Handysides 7.
Referee: T. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

WATFORD (1) 2 (Jackett 39, Jenkins 58)
WEST HAM (0) 1 (Stewart, pen 78)
 Att: 24,870
Watford: Sherwood 7, Rice 6, Rostron 7, ★**TAYLOR 8**, Sims 7, Bolton 7, Callaghan 7, Blissett 7, Jenkins 6, Jackett 6, Barnes 7.
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7, Lampard 6, Gallagher 6, Martin 7, ★**DEVONSHIRE 8**, Van Der Elst 7, Goddard 6, Clark 6, Allen 6, Pike 7.
Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Two

BLACKBURN (2) 2 (Garner 33, 36)
OLDHAM (1) 2 (Wylde, pen 38, Atkinson 63)
 Att: 10,121
Blackburn: Gennoe 6, Branagan 5, Rathbone 5, Arnott 5, Mail 6, Fazackerley 6, Miller 7, Hamilton 6, Bell 5, ★**GARNER 7**, Brotherton 6.

Oldham: ★**GORAM 7**, Hoolickin 5, Ryan 5, Bowden 5, Clements 6, Fletcher 6, McDonough 5, Atkinson 5, Heaton 6, Wylde 6, Palmer 6.
Referee: P. N. Willis (County Durham)
Match Rating: ★★

CHARLTON (0) 1 (White 87)
QPR (1) 3 (Micklewhite 8, 70, Sealy 55)
 Att: 13,306
Charlton: Johns 6, Gritt 5, Aizlewood 6, McAllister 5, Elliott 5, Berry 6, Simonsen 6, ★**HARRIS 7**, White 6, Bullivant 5, Robinson 6.
QPR: Hucker 7, Neill 8, Dawes 6, Roeder 7, Hazell 7, Fenwick 8, ★**MICKLEWHITE 9**, Sealy 7, Allen 6, Flanagan 6, Gregory 8.
Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★

DERBY (0) 2 (Davison 75, 80)
SHREWSBURY (2) 3 (Cross 2, Stevens 16, Brown 59)
 Att: 13,068
Derby: Cherry 6, Mills 5, Attley 5, Gemmill 6, Foster 4, McAlle 5, Broily 5, Davison 7, Richards 6, ★**SWINDLEHURST 8**, Dalziel 6 (sub. Barton 5).
Shrewsbury: Ogrovic 6, Williams 6, Johnson 6, Petts 7, Pearson 7, Griffin 6, ★**CROSS 8**, MacLaren 6, Brown 7, McNally 6, Stevens 7.
Referee: R. Lewis (Gt. Bookham)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

BRISTOL ROVERS (4) 4 (Randall 7, 38, Holloway 40, Viney, og 43)
EXETER (2) 4 (Rogers, P 3, 18, Delve 50, McEwan 70)
 Att: 8,160
Bristol Rovers: Kite 6, Slatter 6, Williams, B 7, Williams, G 6, Parkin 7, McCaffery 6, Holloway 7, ★**WILLIAMS, D 8**, Stephens 7 (sub. Platnauer), Randall 7, Barrett 7.
Exeter: Bond 7, Rogers, M 6, Viney 6, Harle 6, Marker 7, McEwan 7, Neville 7, ★**ROGERS, P 8**, Kellow 5 (sub. Sparrow 6), Delve 7, Pullar 7.
Referee: D. Reeves (Uxbridge)
Match Rating: ★★

WIGAN (0) 1 (Langley 75)
WALSALL (0) 3 (Buckley 55, Summerfield 65, Preece 83)
 Att: 4,564
Wigan: ★**TUNKS 7**, McMahon 6, Cribley 5, Langley 6, Walsh 5, Methven 5, Glenn 5, Barrow 6, Butler 6 (sub. Bradd 6), O'Keefe 6, Weston 6.
Walsall: Green 6, Caswell 7, Mower 7, Beech 7, Hawker 6, Hart 6, Rees 7, Preece 7, Summerfield 6, ★**BUCKLEY 8**, O'Kelly 6.
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Langley (Wigan)

Saturday, Jan. 1

Division One

ARSENAL (2) 2 (Sunderland 2, Woodcock 6)
SWANSEA (0) 1 (Curtis 64)
 Att: 25,237
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Hollins 7, Sansom 7, Talbot 7, O'Leary 6, Robson 7, Davis 6, Sunderland 7 (sub. Chapman), Petrovic 7, ★**WOODCOCK 8**, Rix 6.
Swansea: Davies 6, Robinson 6, Hadziabdic 6, Evans 5, Mahoney 6, Rajkovic 5, ★**CURTIS 7** (sub. Stanley 6), Lewis 6, James, L 5, Stevenson 5, Latchford 4.
Referee: D. A. Hedges (Oxford)
Match Rating: ★★

BIRMINGHAM (1) 2 (Ferguson 41, 53)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 2 (Bond 31, Bodak 54)
 Att: 16,362
Birmingham: Coton 6, Langan 6, Dennis 6, Hagan 6, Blake 7, Broadhurst 7, Dillon 7, Harford 7, ★**FERGUSON 8**, Curbishley 6, Handysides 7.
Man City: Corrigan 6, ★**ANSON 8**, McDonald 6, Reid 7, Kinsey 7, Bond 7, Tueart 6, Reeves 7, Cross 6, Hartford 6, Bodak 7.
Referee: H. King (Merthyr Tydfil)
Match Rating: ★★

BRIGHTON (0) 1 (Ward 85)
WATFORD (0) 1 (Jackett 78)
 Att: 15,139
Brighton: Digweed 6, Ramsey 7, Pearce 7, Greatish 6, ★**FOSTER 9**, Stevens 6, Case 6, Ward 6, Robinson 7, Ryan 6, Gattling 5.
Watford: Sherwood 6, Rice 6, Rostron 7, Taylor 7, ★**SIMS 9**, Bolton 6, Callaghan 6, Blissett 6, Jenkins 6 (sub. Lohman 6), Jackett 7, Barnes 5.
Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★

IPSWICH (1) 2 (Mariner 38, Osman 65)
SOUTHAMPTON (0) 1 (Wright 72)
 Att: 18,866
Ipswich: Sivell 6, Steggles 6, Gernon 7, Thijssen 7, Osman 7, ★**BUTCHER 8**, Wark 7, McCall 5, Mariner 7, Brazil 5, Gates 6.
Southampton: ★**SHILTON 9**, Agboola 6, Mills 7, Williams 6, Nicholl 6, Wright 7, Holmes 7, Puckett 6, Moran 5, Armstrong 7, Wallace 5.
Referee: H. Taylor (Oadby)
Match Rating: ★★

LIVERPOOL (2) 5 (Rush 14, 80, 88, Dalglish 30, 75)
NOTTS COUNTY (1) 1 (Fashanu 18)
 Att: 33,603
Liverpool: Grobbelaar 7, Neal 7, Kennedy 7, Lawrenson 7, Johnston 8, Hansen 7, ★**DALGLISH 9**, Lee 8, Rush 8, Hodgson 7, Souness 7.
Notts County: Avramovic 6, Benjamin 6, Worthington 6, Hunt 5, Kilcline 5, Richards 6, Chiedozie 6, Fashanu 6, ★**McCULLOCH 8**, Goodwin 6, Mair 5.
Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

LUTON (0) 1 (Donaghy 60)
COVENTRY (2) 2 (Whitton 10, Melrose 15)
 Att: 13,072
Luton: Findlay 6, Stephens 8, Money 7, Horton 8, Goodyear 8, ★**DONAGHY 9**, Hill 8, Geddis 5, Walsh 7, Fuccillo 6 (sub. Antic), Moss 7.
Coventry: Sealey 8, Thomas 8, Hormantschuk 7, Butterworth 8, Dyson 8, ★**GILLESPIE 9**, Whitton 7, Francis 7, Hately 8, Melrose 8, Hunt 7.
Referee: D. S. Vickers (Ilford)
Match Rating: ★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (1) 3 (Stapleton 30, 77, Coppell 63)
ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Cowans, pen 31)
 Att: 41,545
Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albiston 6, Moses 7, Moran 6, McQueen 6, Robson 7, Muhren 7, Stapleton 7, Whiteside 5, ★**COPELL 8**.
Aston Villa: Spink 7, Williams 6, Gibson 6, Evans 5, McNaught 7, Mortimer 6, Bremner 5, Shaw 7, Withe 5, ★**COWANS 8**, Walters 7.
Referee: G. M. Tyson (Sunderland)
Match Rating: ★★

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0
SUNDERLAND (0) 0
 Att: 20,382
Nott'm Forest: Sutton 6, Swain 7, Gunn 6, Todd 7, Young 5, Bowyer 5, Proctor 7, ★**WALLACE 8**, Birtles 7 (sub. Walsh 7), Hodge 6, Robertson 7.
Sunderland: ★**TURNER 9**, Nicholl 6, Pickering 6, Atkins 5, Chisholm 6, Buckley 6, Venison 6, Rowell 5, West 6, Cooke 7, Cummins 8.
Referee: J. Lovatt (Crewe)
Match Rating: ★★

STOKE (1) 1 (McIlroy 27)
NORWICH (0) 0
 Att: 15,669
Stoke: Fox 8, Parkin 7, Hampton 7, Bracewell 6, Watson 8, Berry 7, Painter 7, McIlroy 8, O'Callaghan 6, Thomas 7 (sub. Maskery 5), ★**CHAMBERLAIN, M 9**.
Norwich: ★**WOODS 8**, Haylock 5, Deehan 6, Mendham 6, Walford 6, Watson 7, Barham 7, O'Neill 7, Channon 6, Bertschin 5, Van Wyk 5 (sub. Downs 5).
Referee: E. Walmsley (Blackpool)
Match Rating: ★★

WEST BROM (1) 2 (Zondervan 6, Owen 52)
EVERTON (1) 2 (Sharp 8, Higgins 57)
 Att: 15,194
West Brom: Godden 6, Whitehead 6, Statham 5, Zondervan 6, Wile 5, Robertson 6, Jol 6, Cross 6 (sub. Mills 5), Regis 6, ★**OWEN 7**, Eastoe 6.

● Match Facts continued on page 31

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FIXTURES

Friday, January 7
DIVISION FOUR

Colchester v Hereford
Saturday, January 8
FA CUP, THIRD ROUND
Arsenal v Bolton
Blackburn v Liverpool
Bradford v Barnsley
Brighton v Newcastle
Cambridge v Weymouth
Carlisle v Burnley
Charlton v Ipswich
Coventry v Worcester
C. Palace v York
Derby v Nott'm Forest
Huddersfield v Chelsea
Leeds v Preston
Leicester v Notts County
Luton v Peterborough
Man. Utd v West Ham
Middlesbrough v Bishops Cleeve
Newport v Everton
Northampton v Aston Villa
Norwich v Swansea
Oldham v Fulham
Oxford v Torquay
Scunthorpe v Grimsby
Sheff. Utd v Stoke
Shrewsbury v Rotherham
Southend v Sheff. Wed.
Sunderland v Man. City
Swindon v Aldershot
Tranmere v Wolves
Tottenham v Southampton
Walsall v Birmingham
Watford v Plymouth
West Brom v QPR

DIVISION THREE

Brentford v Wigan
Cardiff v Millwall
Doncaster v Bristol R.
Gillingham v Exeter

DIVISION FOUR

Bury v Port Vale
Chester v Rochdale
Darlington v Crewe
Mansfield v Halifax
Wimbledon v Hull

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION

Aberdeen v Morton
Dundee v Motherwell
Kilmarnock v Hibs
Rangers v Dundee Utd
St Mirren v Celtic

FIRST DIVISION

Clyde v Airdrie
Dunbarton v Raith
Dunfermline v Clydebank
Falkirk v Queens Park
Hearts v Hamilton
Partick v Alloa
St Johnstone v Ayr

SCOTTISH CUP Second Round

Berwick v Stirling
Forfar v Inverness Caley
Stenhousemuir v Arbroath
Elgin v Gala
East Fife v Brechin
Queen of the South v Hawick
Albion v Stranraer
Brora Rangers v Montrose

Friday, January 14
DIVISION THREE

Southend v Plymouth
DIVISION FOUR
Halifax v Colchester

● CONGRATULATIONS to
'Match' reader Stephen
Garrow of Glasgow who
beat Ipswich and England
defender Russell Osman by
eight points to four in the
special Christmas 'Star
Challenge'.

STAR CHALLENGE

CAN tiny Northampton overcome the might of European Champions Aston Villa?

Is it possible non-League
Worcester can pull off one of the
biggest shocks in the history of the
competition, by beating First
Division Coventry at Highfield
Road?

These are just two of the
intriguing questions thrown up by
the magic of the FA Cup as the
minnows take on the giants.

And Everton striker Graeme
Sharp is the player with the tough
task of predicting the outcome of
ten of the most exciting Third
Round ties.

He has been chosen by Everton
fan David Outtrim of Bromham,
Beds., to take part in this week's
'Star Challenge'.

Graeme himself will be hoping
his side will not fall victim to an

early upset — facing, as they do,
a tricky trip to Third Division
Newport County.

But of course there are clashes
of the giants too with Manchester
United taking on West Ham and
Spurs beginning their defence of
the trophy against Southampton.

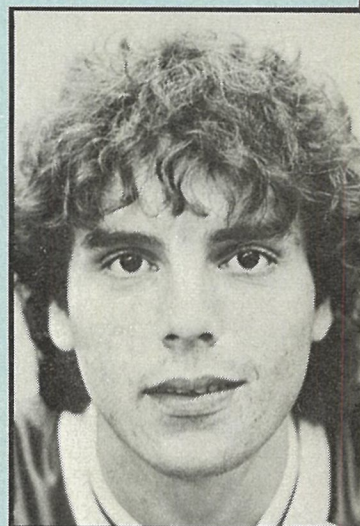
Graeme has predicted the
results of ten top matches and you
can see his forecasts alongside
those of 11-year-old David.

Points are awarded according to
how accurate the forecasts are and
if David scores more than his hero
Graeme, he will be awarded a
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part receives a personally
autographed picture of his or her
star challenger.

If you would like to take part in
'Star Challenge' all you have to do
is write in, enclosing your name,
age and address — together with a

This week, Everton striker
Graeme Sharp (below) is
challenged by 'Match' reader
David Outtrim.



black and white photograph of
yourself — and most importantly
your home telephone number.

And don't forget to state your
favourite team and favourite
players. Write to 'Star Challenge',
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GRAEME SHARP

Here are the ten selected matches
for this week, together with the
predictions of a lucky 'Match' reader
and his famous opponent.
There's a space for you to fill in
your predictions and a column for

the actual result.
Award two points for every
correct score and one point if the
result is correct (i.e. home win,
away win, draw), but the scoreline
is wrong.

	Reader's forecast	Star's forecast	Your forecast	Result
Arsenal v Bolton	2-0	3-0		
Blackburn v Liverpool	0-4	1-3		
Charlton v Ipswich	0-2	1-1		
Derby v Nott'm Forest	0-1	0-2		
Man Utd v West Ham	1-1	2-1		
Norwich v Swansea	0-1	1-2		
Sunderland v Man. City	1-2	2-1		
Tranmere v Wolves	0-3	0-3		
Tottenham v Southampton	2-1	3-0		
West Brom v QPR	1-1	1-1		

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NICK PICKERING Sunderland





George Berry's favourite foreign player Socrates in action for Brazil — and note the resemblance.

Spotlight on Socrates look-alike . . . **GEORGE BERRY** Stoke and Wales

FULL NAME: George Frederick Berry.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: West Germany, November 19, 1957.
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6ft. 12st 8lbs.
MARRIED: Yes, to Maureen.
CHILDREN: A daughter, Monique (3).
CAR: Ford Cortina.
PREVIOUS CLUB: Wolves.
TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: None.
CLUB NICKNAME: 'G'.
WORST EVER INJURY: Nothing too serious.
FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: Bryan Robson for his all round ability.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Q.P.R.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Brazil skipper Socrates, apart from looking like me, he played superb in the World Cup Finals.
BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM: England's 1966 World Cup winning team of: Banks, Cohen, Wilson, Stiles, Charlton J., Moore, Ball, Hunt, Charlton R., Hurst, Peters.
ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: Brazil's 1970 World Cup winning team: Felix, Carlos Alberto, Brito, Piazza, Everaldo, Clodoaldo, Gerson, Jairzinho, Tostao, Pele, Rivelino.
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Anfield.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Cologne.
BEST GOAL SCORED: The one on my debut for Stoke against Arsenal this season.
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Kevin Keegan's overhead kick for Southampton against Man. United last season. I know it was ruled out because someone else was offside, but it was a great 'goal'.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: I don't want him to find out!
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Wolves League Cup Final win over Nottingham Forest in 1980.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: My debut for Wales against West Germany in 1979.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing in two FA Cup Semi-Finals with Wolves.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Pool and squash.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Reggae music and reading.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Long trips, inconsistent referees and pork.
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Channel 4's Deep Roots music and The Professionals.
FAVOURITE POP STAR: Most Reggae singers, notably Bernie Spear.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Rice with corn and chicken.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Tango orange.
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Trinidad.
FAVOURITE ACTORS: Charles Bronson, James Coburn and Clint Eastwood.
BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Good, Bad and the Ugly.
BEST FRIEND: QPR's Bob Hazell.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Brian Garvey — a coach in my early days at Wolves.
WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Not playing!
SUPERSTITIONS: I like to wear the number six shirt.
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Boiled chicken.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Four full caps for Wales.
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be successful in business.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To regain my place in the Welsh team and stay there.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: To be in business.
PLAYERS FOR THE FUTURE: Most of the Stoke youth team.
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Our next baby!
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Listen to senior professionals and work hard.

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LET'S HAVE A BALLOT!

IT'S time that the people who matter in soccer — the fans — had their opinions heard.

Many club chairmen and League officials are out of touch with the demands of modern day sport. Merely tampering with the rules will not halt the dreadful slump in attendances.

I propose that a ballot of fans should be held immediately. Ballot boxes could be posted at all League grounds, with fans offering their ideas for the salvation of soccer. And the powers of football would have to listen.

My own ideas for winning back the fans are:

- Admission prices kept to a minimum, with clubs finding alternative uses for stadiums in an effort to raise cash.
- Hooligans to be banned from football grounds.
- TV soccer to be strictly limited.
- Bonus points to be awarded to teams that score three or more goals.

However, I doubt whether anyone will give the idea of a ballot a second thought . . .

D. Biron, Brisbane, Australia.

● WHY NOT? If Australia can show us how to play cricket, why can't they offer a few tips on soccer. A fans' ballot sounds like a great idea.

THE League title race is all over, say the experts. No-one will be able to catch First Division leaders Liverpool.

What a load of rubbish. Liverpool are far from invincible. Humiliating defeats at the hands of Finnish part-timers JK Helsingin and lowly Norwich prove that the men from Anfield can be beaten — by anyone.

My prediction for 1983 is that Liverpool will falter, to be overtaken by Manchester United, a team of true international class.

Hin-Lun Chan, Carshalton, Surrey.

● It's United who are faltering — ask Coventry!

I'm an Arsenal and 'Match Weekly' fan and I'd like 'Match' to help me find places for a friend and I in a ladies' soccer team.

We have been looking for ages for a women's soccer club in the Deptford, New Cross, Lewisham and Catford areas of London, without success.

If any 'Match' readers know of a team that could use two 15-year-old players, I would be grateful if they would write to me.

Ann Lane, 3 Melville, House, Sparta St, Greenwich, London.

TV companies should be persuaded to televise more Third and Fourth Division fixtures, instead of the usual Division One and Two games.

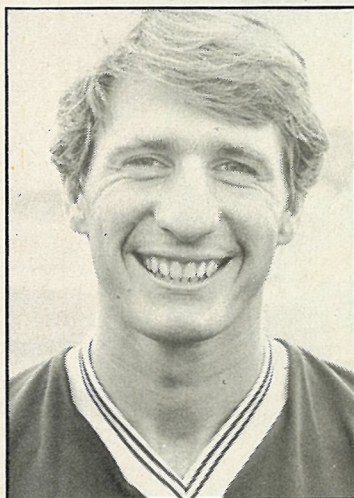
The lower divisions are producing some cracking football and deserve more recognition.

It would also raise money for clubs like hard-pressed Tranmere Rovers, and would go a long way to make sure we still have 92 League clubs at the end of the season.

Steven Cooper, Hebden Bridge, West Yorks.

HERE are my top ten films and the people they apply to . . .

- 1 The Shining — Liverpool's



Gordon Cowans — among Rachael Ward's top ten soccer 'film stars'.

- trophy cabinet.
 - 2 The Exorcist — Ron Saunders.
 - 3 Who Dares Wins — Northern Ireland in Spain.
 - 4 Flash Gordon — Gordon Cowans.
 - 5 The Life of Brian — Clough, who else?
 - 6 Jaws — Joe Jordan.
 - 7 The Texas Chainsaw Massacre — England v Luxembourg.
 - 8 Porky(s) — John Robertson.
 - 9 Enter the Dragon — Mike England.
 - 10 Lord of the Rings — Ron Atkinson.
- Rachael Ward, Bourneville, Birmingham.*

● We get the picture!

SO Tony Godden, West Brom's transfer-listed goalkeeper, says in 'Match' that he's the fourth best goalie in the First Division. That's a joke!

Godden is not fit to lace the boots of the likes of Ray Clemence, Peter Shilton, Joe Corrigan, Gary Bailey, Bruce Grobbelaar, George Wood and Pat Jennings. He even rated

TERRACE TALK

Edited by
**Michael
Weavers**



WELCOME to the best read letters page in football . . . with unique prizes for every reader who gets his or her letter published!

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Bailey as sixth best, and he's been Match Weekly's 'Top Stopper' for the past two seasons.

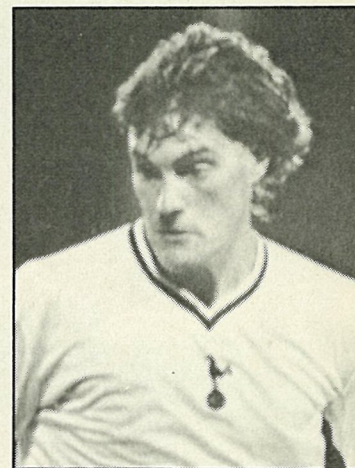
Godden struggles to get in the West Brom first team so how can he rank himself along with the goalkeeping greats of the First Division?

Alan Chapman, Ilkeston, Derbyshire.

WHAT a lot of fuss the national Press are kicking up over Glenn Hoddle, claiming that the Spurs and England midfielder will quit Tottenham at the end of the season for a rich Italian club.

So what? If Hoddle does decide to move abroad, Tottenham and the First Division won't be any poorer for Hoddle's absence. Indeed, Glenn might develop into a better player if he has to cope with tight-marking Italians week in, week out.

Tony Risvegilia, Hackney, London.



Glenn Hoddle — the First Division wouldn't be any poorer for his absence, claims Tony Risvegilia.

GOLDEN GOOF

"HOW long has Graeme Souness been playing non-League football?" asks Darren Gregory of Maybank, Staffordshire, who spotted this 'Golden Goof' concerning the Anfield skipper . . .

Enfield and Scotland captain Graeme Souness said: "Blackburn are a good Second Division side and we will have to put up a professional performance."

MATCHFACTS MATCHFACTS

Everton: Arnold 6, Stevens 7, Bailey 7, Ratcliffe 6, Higgins 6, McMahon 8, ★**CURRAN** 9, Sharp 7, Johnson 7, Reid 7, Sheedy 8.
Referee: G. Napthine (Loughborough)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

WEST HAM (1) 3 (Cottee 25, Stewart, pen 69, Pike 75)
TOTTENHAM (0) 0
 Att: 33,383
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 7, Gallagher 8, Dickens 7, ★**MARTIN** 9, Devonshire 8, Van Der Elst 6, Cottee 7, Clark 6, Allen 6, Pike 7.
Spurs: Clemence 7, Hughton 6, Mazzon 6, Price 6, Villa 7, Perryman 7, O'Reilly 7, Archibald 6, ★**BROOKE** 9, Hoddle 7, Crooks 6.
Referee: M. P. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

Division Two

BARNLEY (3) 4 (Banks 16, Parker 38, 43, Birch 60)
GRIMSBY (0) 0
 Att: 12,318
Barnley: Pierce 7, Joyce 7, Chambers 6, Glavin 6, Banks 7, Hunter 7 (sub. Barrowclough 7), Law 7, ★**PARKER** 8, Ronson 7, Cunningham 6, Birch 7.
Grimsby: Batch 6, Moore, D 6, Crombie 6, ★**WATERS** 8, Cooper 6, Moore, K 6, Ford 7, Whymark 7, Drinkell 6, O'Dell 7, Cumming 6.
Referee: R. Guy (Kirkby)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Cumming (Grimsby)

BOLTON (0) 1 (Henry 53)
BLACKBURN (0) 0
 Att: 11,481
Bolton: McDonagh 6, Whitworth 6, Deakin 6, ★**HENRY** 8, Jones 6, Doyle 6 (sub. Moores), Chandler 4, Whatmore 7, Foster 7, Hoggan 6, Thompson 6.
Blackburn: Gennoe 7, Branagan 7, Rathbone 7, Randell 6, Mail 6, Fazackerley 6, ★**MILLER** 8, Hamilton 6, Bell 6, Garner 6, Brotherston 6.
Referee: K. W. Baker (Rugby)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

BURNLEY (2) 4 (Taylor 19, 20, 89, Hamilton 59)
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 1 (McCulloch 70)
 Att: 9,644
Burnley: O'Rourke 6, ★**LAWS** 9, Donachie 7, Walsh 7, Phelan 6, Flynn 6, Dobson 6, Steven 8, Hamilton 8, Taylor 8, Scott 6 (sub. Miller 6).
Sheff Wed: Bolder 5, ★**STERLAND** 7, Matthewson 6, Smith 6, Lyons 6, Bailey 6, Megson 6, Shelton 6, Bannister 6, Mirocevic 6 (sub. McCulloch 6), Pearson 5.
Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

CRYSTAL PALACE (1) 1 (Langley 32)
LEICESTER (0) 0
 Att: 8,801
Crystal Palace: Fry 6, Gilbert 7, Murphy 6, Nebbeling 8, Cannon 7, Hinshelwood 6, Giles 8, Hughton 8, Jones 7, Langley 8, ★**HILAIRE** 9.
Leicester: Wallington 6, Ramsey 6, Williams 7, MacDonald 6, May 5, O'Neill 5, ★**SMITH**, B 8, Lineker 6, Kelly 7, Smith, A 7, Wilson 6.
Referee: T. D. Spencer (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

FULHAM (1) 1 (Lewington 37)
WOLVES (2) 3 (Pender 27, Clarke 44, Eves 77)
 Att: 17,196
Fulham: Peyton 6, Hopkins 5, Lock 6, O'Driscoll 6, ★**BROWN** 8, Gale 6, Davies 6, Wilson 5, Coney 6, Houghton 6, Lewington 6.
Wolves: Burridge 7, Humphrey 6, Palmer 7, Smith 7, Pender 7, ★**DODD** 8, Hibbitt 7, Clarke 7, Gray 7, Eves 7, Matthews 7.
Referee: I. J. Borrett (Eye)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 0
LEEDS (0) 0
 Att: 17,000
Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Ward 7, Bolton 7, Baxter 7, ★**NATTRASS** 8, Otto 7, Wood 7, Sugrue 7, Kennedy 6, Shearer 5 (sub. Cochrane 5), Bell 6.
Leeds: Lukic 7, Aspin 7, Gray, F 7, Sheridan 7, Hart 7, ★**BURNS** 8, McNab 7, Connor 7, Butterworth 7, Thomas 7, Graham 7.
Referee: D. Allison (Lancaster)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

NEWCASTLE (1) 2 (Keegan 3, 69)
CARLISLE (1) 2 (Shoulder 32, Bannon 46)
 Att: 29,154
Newcastle: Carr 7, Craggs 6, Wharton 6, McCreery 6 (sub. Martin 6), Clarke 7, Haddock 6, ★**KEEGAN** 8, Gayle 6, Varadi 6, McDermott 7, Waddle 7.
Carlisle: ★**SWINBURNE** 8, Parker 6, Haigh 6, Ashurst 7, Rushbury 6, Houghton 6, Coughlin 6 (sub. Lee), Craig 7, Poskett 7, Bannon 6, Shoulder 7.
Referee: T. A. Jones (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Rushbury (Carlisle)

OLDHAM (0) 2 (Bowden 59, Wyld 66)
DERBY (1) 2 (Swindlehurst 30, Gemmill, pen 83)
 Att: 7,085
Oldham: Goram 6, Hoolickin 6, Ryan 6, Bowden 6, ★**CLEMENTS** 8, Fitcher 7, McDonagh 6, Atkinson 7, Heaton 5, Wyld 6, Palmer 6.
Derby: Cherry 6, Barton 6, Attley 6, ★**GEMMILL** 9, Foster 7, McAlle 8, Brolly 7, Davison 7, Richards 6, Swindlehurst 7, Mills 6.
Referee: C. Seel (Carlisle)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

ROTHERHAM (0) 1 (Fern 66)
CHARLTON (0) 0
 Att: 8,798
Rotherham: Mountford 6, Forrest 7, Henson 7, McEwan (sub. Seaman 7), ★**HUGHES** 8, Green 7, Towner 6, Gow 7, Moore 6, Fern 7, McBride 6.
Charlton: Johns 7, Gritt 6, Aizlewood 7, McAllister 6, Elliott 7, Berry 6, Simonsen 6, ★**HARRIS** 8, White 7, Bullivant 6, Robinson 6.
Referee: T. Holbrook (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

SHREWSBURY (0) 2 (Stevens 62, Brown 67)
CHELSEA (0) 0
 Att: 7,545
Shrewsbury: Ogrizovic 6, Williams 7, Johnson 6, Petts 7, Pearson 8, Griffin 7, Cross 7 (sub. Bates), MacLaren 7, ★**BROWN** 9, McNally 7, Stevens 7.
Chelsea: ★**FRANCIS** 8, Jones 6, Hutchings 6, Chivers 7, Droy 7, Pates 7, Walker 7 (sub. Lee), Bumstead 6, Speedie 6, Fillery 6, Rhoades-Brown 6.
Referee: K. Cooper (Pontypridd)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Hutchings (Chelsea)

Division Three

BOURNEMOUTH (1) 4 (Brignull 31, Spackman 46, 52, Dawtry 83)
BRENTFORD (1) 3 (Roberts 52, Joseph 67, 80)
 Att: 5,593
Bournemouth: Allen 6, Heffernan 6, Sulley 7, ★**SPACKMAN** 8, Brignull 7, Williams 6, Funnell 6, Nightingale 7, Morgan 6, Lee 6, Dawtry 7.
Brentford: Roche 6, Strong 6, Rowe 7, Booker 6, Whitehead 7, Harris 6 (sub. Johnson), Walker 6, ★**JOSEPH** 8, Bowen 7, Bowles 6, Roberts 6.
Referee: L. Shapter (Torquay)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

CARDIFF (2) 3 (Hemmerman, pen 34, 81, Bennett, G 41)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 1 (Bradd 71)
 Att: 10,698
Cardiff: Dibble 7, Jones 7, Mullen 7, Tong 7, Dwyer 8, ★**BENNETT**, G 9, Bennett, D 7, Gibbins 7, Hatton 7, Hemmerman 8, Lewis 7.
Bristol Rovers: Kite 7, Sherwood 6, Williams 8, 6, Williams, G 7, ★**PARKIN** 8, McCaffery 7, Holloway 6 (sub. Stephens 6), Carter 6, Bradd 7, Randall 6, Barrett 6.
Referee: R. P. Barratt (Coventry)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Williams, B (Bristol Rovers)

EXETER (0) 0
NEWPORT (0) 1 (Elsey 90)
 Att: 3,505
Exeter: Bond 6, Rogers, M 5, Viney 4, Sparrow 4, Marker 6, McEwan 6, ★**NEVILLE** 8, Rogers, P 6, Pratt 5 (sub. Kirkup), Delve 7, Pullar 5.
Newport: Plumley 6, Jones 5, Relish 6, Bailey 7, ★**BOYLE** 8, Stroud 7, Aldridge 5 (sub. Moore 6), Gwyther 7, Tynan 6, Vaughan 6, Elsey 7.
Referee: L. Burden (Corfe Mullen)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

GILLINGHAM (0) 0
LINCOLN (1) 2 (Bell, pen 29, Shipley 89)
 Att: 5,535
Gillingham: Hillyard 6, Sharpe 7, Adams 6, ★**BRUCE** 8, Weatherly 7 (sub. Shaw 6), Tydeman 6, Powell 6, Johnson 6, Cascarino 6, White 6, Price 6.
Lincoln: Felgate 7, Simmonite 7, Neale 7, Cockerill 7 (sub. Carr), ★**PEAKE** 8, Thompson 7, Burke 6, Turner 6, Hobson 7, Bell 7, Shipley 7.
Referee: K. Salmon (Barnet)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

HUDDERSFIELD (2) 6 (Brown, pen 12, Stanton 19, 67, 68, 73, Wilson 88)
BRADFORD (2) 3 (Podd 6, Campbell 31, Ellis 77)
 Att: 18,488
Huddersfield: Cox 6, Brown 6, Burke 7, ★**STANTON** 8, Sutton 6, Hanvey 7, Lillis 7, Doyle 7, Russell 7, Wilson 7, Cowling 7.
Bradford: McManus 6, ★**PODD** 8, Chapman 6, Lester 7, Jackson 7 (sub. Mellor), Cherry 7, Ellis 6, Gray 6, Campbell 7, Cooke 7, McNiven 7.
Referee: J. D. Hough (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

MILLWALL (0) 1 (Neal 52)
CHESTERFIELD (1) 1 (Henderson 5)
 Att: 3,215
Millwall: Sansome 6, Stevens 7, ★**MADDEN** 8, Massey 6, Allardyce 7, Roberts 6, Hayes 6 (sub. Shinton), Neal 7, Aylott 7, Stride 7, Chatterton 7.
Chesterfield: Gregory 6, Bellamy 6, Partridge 6, Wilson 6, Green 6, Pollard 6, ★**PLUMMER** 8, Windridge 7, Henderson 7, Kowalski 6, Kendal 6.
Referee: A. Gunn (Burgess Hill)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

OXFORD (1) 1 (Vinter 40)
SOUTHEND (0) 0
 Att: 7,021
Oxford: Butcher 6, Linney 6, Smithers 6, Brock 5, Fogg 6, Shotton 5, ★**LAWRENCE** 7, Foley 6, Vinter 5, Hebbard 6, Train 6.
Southend: Cawston 6, Stead 5, Yates 5, ★**HADLEY** 7, Otulakowski 6, Moody 5, Pountney 6, Phillips 5, Mercer 5, Pennyfather 5, Nelson 5 (sub. Clark).
Referee: A. J. Hamil (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

PORTSMOUTH (2) 2 (Webb 33, Smith, og 36)
PLYMOUTH (0) 1 (McLaughlin, og 71)
 Att: 15,856
Portsmouth: Knight 6, McLaughlin 7, Sullivan 7, Doyle 5, ★**HOWE** 8, Aizlewood 6 (sub. Ellis 6), Webb 5, Tait 7, Rafferty 6, Biley 5, Rogers 7.
Plymouth: Crudgington 7, Nisbet 6, Uzzell 6, Harrison 6, ★**SMITH** 8, Cooper 6, Hodges 6, Carter 5 (sub. Cook 5), Sims 6, McCartney 5, Rogers 5.
Referee: A. Ward (London)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

PRESTON (2) 4 (Bruce 23, 46, McAteer 30, Kelly, pen 51)
WIGAN (1) 1 (O'Keefe 44)
 Att: 7,565
Preston: Litchfield 7, Kelly 7, McAteer 7, O'Riordan 7, Coleman 6, Gowing 6, Walsh 6, Sayer 6, Elliott 6, ★**BRUCE** 8, Houston 7.
Wigan: Tunks 5, McMahon 6, Cribley 6, Langley 6, Walsh 6, Methven 6, Glenn 5 (sub. Lowe 5), ★**BARROW** 7, Butler 6, O'Keefe 6, Weston 5.
Referee: P. Willis (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 3 (King 65, Morris, pen 74, Brazil 85)
ORIENT (0) 0
 Att: 10,973
Sheff Utd: Waugh 7, Henderson 6, Garner 6, McHale 7 (sub. King 7), Houston 7, Kenworthy 6, Morris 7, Trussion 6, ★**EDWARDS** 8, Brazil 6, Ross 7.
Orient: Day 7, Roffey 6, Peach 6, Foster 6, Cunningham 7, Cornwell 6, ★**OSGOOD** 8, Godfrey 6, Houchen 5, Kitchen 7, Sussex 5.
Referee: R. Banks (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

WALSALL (0) 1 (Buckley 66)
DONCASTER (0) 0
 Att: 3,859
Walsall: Green 7, ★**CASWELL** 9, Mower 6, Beech 7, Sinnott 7, Hart 7, Rees 7, Preece 6, Summerfield 7, Buckley 7, O'Kelly 8.
Doncaster: Peacock 7, Russell 6, ★**WATSON** 9, Snodin 17, Wigginton 7, Dowd 7, Mell 7, Owen 6 (sub. Dougias), Austin 8, Snodin, G 7, Lister 7.
Referee: J. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

WREXHAM (2) 4 (Bremner 26, Gregory, pen 41, Savage 70, Hunt 89)
READING (0) 0
 Att: 3,390
Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, King 7, Bater 7, Savage 7, ★**DOWMAN** 9, Keay 7, Hunt 7, Gregory 7, Arkwright 8, Bremner 7, Baker 6.
Reading: Judge 6, ★**RICHARDSON** 8, White 6, Beavon 7, Hicks 6, Wood 6, Doherty 5 (sub. Tutty 6), Earles 7, Sanchez 6, Bason 5, O'Sullivan 5.
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (1) 2 (Brodie 32, Lucas 80)
MANSFIELD (0) 1 (Ayre 46)
 Att: 2,235
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Shrubbs 6, Gillard 7, Briley 7, Wooler 8, Jopling 8, ★**LUCAS** 9, Banton 5, Goddard 6, McDonald 7, Brodie 8.
Mansfield: ★**ARNOLD** 8, Bird 6, Kennedy 6, Bell 6, Ayre 7, Calderwood 6, Matthews 7, Hutchinson 5, Dungworth 5, Caldwell 6, Nicholson 5 (sub. Woodhead 6).
Referee: A. Crickmore (Plymouth)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Calderwood (Mansfield)

BRISTOL CITY (0) 1 (Riley 89)
SWINDON (0) 1 (Pritchard 64)
 Att: 9,002
Bristol City: Shaw 6, Newman 6, Johnson 7, Nicholls 7, ★**PHILLIPSON-MASTERS** 8, Ritchie 6, Cooper 6, Kelly 5, Garland 6, Chandler 5 (sub. Riley 7), Crawford 6.
Swindon: Allan 6, Baverstock 6, Bailie 6, Emmanuel 7, Lewis 6, Graham 6, ★**PRITCHARD** 8, Batty 6, Rideout 6, Rowland 5, Barnard 6.
Referee: L. M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Emmanuel (Swindon)

HARTLEPOOL (1) 2 (Linacre 9, Smith 82)
BLACKPOOL (1) 1 (Jeffrey 7)
 Att: 1,569
Hartlepool: Wright 7, Smithies 7, Stimpson 7, Brown 6, Barker 8, Linighan 7, ★**STAFF** 9, Smith 7, Linacre 6, Lawrence 6, Johnson 8.
Blackpool: ★**HESFORD** 9, Bardsley 6, Pritchett 7, Deary 7, Hetzke 6, Serella 6, Hockaday 5 (sub. Richardson 6), Jeffrey 7, Bamber 8, Pashley 6, Stewart 8.
Referee: D. Hutchinson (Harrogate)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

HULL (1) 2 (Roberts, G 18, Marwood, pen 89)
ROCHDALE (0) 1 (Thompson 85)
 Att: 9,259
Hull: Norman 6, Swann 5, Askew 5, Roberts, D 5, Skipper 7, Booth 6, Marwood 7, McClaren 6, Whitehurst 5, Mutrie 6.
★ROBERTS, G 9.
Rochdale: ★**PEARCE** 8, Hilditch 5, Snookes 6, Farrell 6, McElhinney 7, Williams 5, Thompson 7, Greaves 5, Wellings 6, French 5, Martinez 6.
Referee: D. W. Civil (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

NORTHAMPTON (0) 2 (Massey 66, Syrett 79)
PORT VALE (0) 2 (Moss 83, Newton, pen 85)
 Att: 3,618
Northampton: Freeman 8, Tucker 7, Phillips 6, Gage 6, Burrows 6, Saxby 6, Coffill 7, Buchanan 6, Muir 6, ★**MASSEY** 9, Syrett 7.
Port Vale: Southall 7, Tarrt 6, Bromage 7, Hunter 8, Sproson 7, Cegielski 7, ★**FOX** 9, Moss 6, Newton 6, Greenhoff 8, Ridley 6 (sub. Waddington).
Referee: B. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

PETERBOROUGH (1) 4 (Gynn 2, 89, Cooke 47, Firm 50)
HEREFORD (0) 0
 Att: 3,543
Peterborough: Seaman 6, Winters 6, Collins 7, ★**GYNN** 8, Firm 6, Slack 6, Clarke 6, Rodaway 7, Cooke 7, Benjamin 6, Quow 6.
Hereford: Powell 6, Price 5, Bartley 5, Hicks 6, Pejic 5, Crabbe 6, ★**HARVEY** 9, Lane 6, Phillips 5, McNeil 6, White 6.
Referee: M. Dimplebee (Stevenage)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

SCUNTHORPE (2) 2 (Cammack 25, 38)
CHESTER (0) 0
 Att: 3,639
Scunthorpe: Neenan 6, Oates 7, Pointon 6, Fowler 6, Baines 6, Hunter 7, O'Berg 6 (sub. Cartwright 6), ★**CAMMACK** 8, Cowling 7, Angus 7, Parkinson 6.

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Chester: Salmon 6, Dean 6, ★WILSON 8, Lane 7, Bradley 6, Johnson (sub. Williams 6), Sloan 6, Needham 6, Thomas 6, Ludlam 7, Bulmer 7.
Referee: B. Hill (Kettering)
Match Rating: ★★

STOCKPORT (1) 4 (Quinn 30, 63, 79, Emerson 70)
HALIFAX (0) 2 (Allatt 56, Spooner, pen 89)
Att: 2,871
Stockport: Lloyd 8, Rutter 7, Sherlock 8, Emerson 8, Sward 8, Thorpe 7, Smith 7, Phillips 6, ★QUINN 9, Power 8, Coyle 7.
Halifax: Smelt 7, Nobbs 6, Wood 7, Evans 7, Smith 6, Henry 7, Ward 7, ★SPOONER 8, Allatt 7, Nuttall 7, Staniforth 6.
Referee: D. Richardson (Great Harwood)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Evans (Halifax)

TORQUAY (1) 2 (Cooper 14, Hughes 82)
COLCHESTER (0) 0
Att: 2,758
Torquay: Horn 6, Doyle 5, Wilson 6, Sheridan 7, ★LITTLE 8, Hughes 6, Grapes 5, O'Donnell 7, Cooper 7, Anderson 6, Gallagher 5.
Colchester: ★WALKER 7, Cook 6, Ward 6, Packer 6, Wignall 6, Keith 6, Allinson 6, Osborne 6, McDonough 5, Adcock 6, Hull 6.
Referee: T. Gasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

TRANMERE (0) 1 (Aspinall 58)
CREWE (0) 1 (Waller 85)
Att: 3,087
Tranmere: ★ENDERSBY 8, Powell 6, Burgess 6, Mooney 6, Hamilton 7, Williams 7, Ferguson 6 (sub. Maguire), Aspinall 7, Kerr 6, Brown 6, Griffiths 7.
Crewe: Smith 6, Moore 6, Bowers 6, Craven 7, Scott 7, Hart 7, Haslegrave 6 (sub. Hanlon), Palios 6, ★WALLER 8, Evans 6, Cliss 7.
Referee: A. Challinor (Maltby)
Match Rating: ★★

WIMBLEDON (0) 2 (Brown, og 51, Leslie 62)
BURY (0) 1 (Parker 86)
Att: 2,467
Wimbledon: Beasant 7, Peters 6, Ferns 6, ★GALLIERS 8, Smith 6, Hatter 7, Evans 6, Ketteridge 6, Leslie 7, Downes 7, Gage 6 (sub. Hodges).
Bury: Brown 5, Gardner 6, Davies 6, ★GORE 8, Bramhall 5, Halliday 6, Firth 6, Madden 6, Parker 6, Jakub 6, Potts 6 (sub. Cutler 6)
Referee: A. Robinson (Portsmouth)
Match Rating: ★★

YORK (2) 5 (Smith 12, 45, Busby 52, Byrne 60, 61)
DARLINGTON (1) 2 (McFadden 13, 57)
Att: 3,679
York: Astbury 6, Evans 7, ★HAYS 8, Sbragia 7, Smith 7, Hood 7, Ford 6, Crosby 6 (sub. Laverick 6), Busby 6, Byrne 7, Pollard 7.
Darlington: Cuff 5, Liddle 5, Young 5, Smith 6, Rhodes 6, ★KAMARA 8, Gilbert 6, McLean 7, Honour 6, Walsh 6, McFadden 7.
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Premier Division

ABERDEEN (2) 2 (McGhee 2)
HIBERNIAN (0) 0
Att: 14,000
DUNDEE (0) 0
DUNDEE UNITED (1) 2 (Milne 2)
Att: 18,109
KILMARNOCK (0) 0
MOTHERWELL (1) 2 (Flavell, Mauchlen)
Att: 3,300

MORTON (1) 2 (Gibson, Hutchinson)
ST MIRREN (0) 0
Att: 5,000
RANGERS (1) 1 (Black)
CELTIC (1) 2 (Nicholas, McStay)
Att: 49,092

First Division

ALLOA (0) 0
FALKIRK (1) 2 (Houston 2)
CLYDE (0) 0
QUEEN'S PARK (1) 1 (Gilmour)
DUMBARTON (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (1) 4 (Hughes, Williamson 2, Coyne)
Derby 22 2 5 4 12 17 1 5 6 10 19 16

HAMILTON (0) 0
AIRDRIE (2) 4 (Gordon, Flood, McDonagh, McGuire)
HEARTS (1) 1 (Pettigrew)
ST JOHNSTONE (0) 0
RAITH (3) 6 (Russell 2, Kerr, Thomson, Harris, Ballantyne)
DUNFERMLINE (0) 0

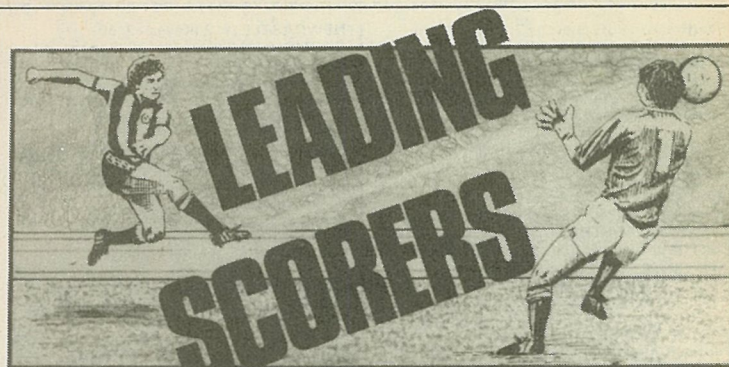
Second Division

ALBION (0) 2
STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 1
BERWICK (0) 0
MEADOWBANK (0) 0
BRECHIN (1) 4
MONTROSE (0) 0
COWDENBEATH (1) 2
EAST FIFE (3) 4
EAST STIRLING (1) 2
STIRLING (1) 1
FORFAR (1) 1
ARBROATH (1) 1
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (2) 6
STRANRAER (1) 3

●WE regret that we are unable to provide you with our usual comprehensive Scottish service. Full Match Facts for the New Year programme will appear next week.



Ian Rush scored his third hat-trick of the season in Liverpool's 5-1 win over Notts County.



(League, Cups, Total)

Division One

Rush (Liverpool)	17	2	19
Latchford (Swansea)	12	4	16
Stein (Luton)	12	4	16
Dalglis (Liverpool)	12	0	12
Wallace (Nott'm Forest)	8	4	12
Blissett (Watford)	11	1	12
Birtles (Nott'm Forest)	7	4	11
Wark (Ipswich)	10	1	11
Rowell (Sunderland)	9	2	11
Deehan (Norwich)	10	1	11
Regis (West Brom)	8	2	10
Crooks (Spurs)	7	3	10
Woodcock (Arsenal)	9	1	10

Division Two

Drinkell (Grimsby)	12	5	17
Lineker (Leicester)	15	0	15
Davies (Fulham)	14	1	15
Glavin (Barnsley)	10	4	14
Garner (Blackburn)	14	0	14
Davison (Derby)	11	3	14
(12 with Halifax)			
Shoulder (Carlisle)	13	0	13
Keegan (Newcastle)	13	0	13
Bannister (Sheff. Wed.)	12	1	13

Division Three

Dixon (Reading)	21	0	21
Bell (Lincoln)	16	3	19

Campbell (Bradford)	13	5	18
Joseph (Brentford)	16	2	18
Biley (Portsmouth)	14	3	17
Quinn (Stockport)	13	4	17
Elliott (Preston)	10	6	16
Tynan (Newport)	11	4	15
Hemmerman (Cardiff)	8	6	14
Mahoney (Brentford)	5	9	14
Edwards (Sheff. Utd.)			

Division Four

Massey (Northampton)	12	4	16
Bamber (Blackpool)	10	5	15
Quinn (Stockport)	15	0	15
Leslie (Wimbledon)	12	2	14
Cooper (Torquay)	11	3	14
Madden (Bury)	12	1	13
Rideout (Swindon)	10	3	13
Allinson (Colchester)	10	2	12
Gynn (Peterborough)	8	4	12
Rowland (Swindon)	11	1	12
Walwyn (York)	10	2	12

SCOTTISH

Premier Division

Nicholas (Celtic)	16	13	29
Dodds (Dundee Utd)	11	5	16
Strachan (Aberdeen)	6	7	13
MacDonald (Rangers)	5	8	13
McGhee (Aberdeen)	8	4	12
McGarvey (Celtic)	9	3	12
Sturrock (Dundee Utd.)	4	7	11
MacLeod (Celtic)	5	5	10

LEAGUE TABLES

DIVISION ONE

	P	K	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Liverpool	22	9	2	0	37	11	5	3	3	18	9	47
Man Utd	22	8	3	0	22	5	3	3	1	13	10	43
Nott'm F	22	8	2	1	22	8	4	1	6	16	22	39
Watford	22	8	2	1	26	7	3	2	6	14	18	37
West Ham	22	8	1	2	26	11	4	0	7	14	21	37
Coventry	23	9	2	1	21	7	2	2	7	11	22	37
West Brom	22	7	3	1	25	11	2	2	7	11	23	32
Aston Villa	22	8	1	2	25	11	2	1	8	7	20	32
Man City	22	7	3	1	16	9	2	2	7	13	25	32
Ipswich	23	5	1	5	19	15	3	6	3	18	14	31
Everton	22	6	4	1	24	12	2	2	7	13	19	30
Tottenham	22	7	2	2	28	11	2	1	8	4	21	30
Stoke	22	7	2	2	23	15	2	1	8	11	20	30
Arsenal	22	5	3	3	16	13	3	3	5	11	16	30
Southampton	22	6	2	3	17	12	2	3	6	11	24	29
Notts County	22	6	2	3	18	15	2	2	7	13	26	28
Swansea	22	6	2	3	17	11	0	3	8	12	24	23
Luton	22	4	4	3	22	17	1	4	6	16	29	23
Norwich	22	5	2	4	16	12	1	3	7	8	24	23
Brighton	22	6	3	2	15	9	0	2	9	5	32	23
Birmingham	22	4	3	4	14	10	0	6	5	3	17	22
Sunderland	22	3	5	3	15	11	1	3	7	9	26	20

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Wolves	22	9	0	2	28	9	5	4	2	15	11	46
Q.P.R.	22	7	2	2	22	10	6	2	3	13	10	43
Fulham	22	6	3	2	20	14	5	2	4	23	17	38
Shrewsbury ..	22	5	3	3	11	9	5	2	4	18	19	35
Leicester	22	5	1	5	16	10	2	5	2	4	21	15
Sheff. Wed.	22	5	4	2	18	11	4	2	5	15	16	33
Oldham	22	4	6	1	22	15	3	5	3	16	15	32
Leeds	22	4	5	2	14	10	3	6	2	12	11	32
Rotherham	22	5	3	3	13	12	3	4	4	14	18	31
Grimsby	22	6	1	4	26	20	1	4	6	15	25	26
Barnsley	22	4	6	1	20	12	3	5	1	11	14	30
Blackburn	22	5	4	2	22	13	3	2	6	12	20	30
Newcastle	22	5	4	2	15	11	2	4	5	17	21	29
Crystal Pal.	22	6	4	1	18	9	1	4	6	7	16	29
Chelsea	22	5	5	1	16	8	2	2	7	9	18	28
Carlisle	22	5	1	4	26	20	1	4	6	15	25	26
Middlesbrough ..	22	4	3	4	21	21	2	5	4	12	20	26
Charlton	22	5	1	5	18	19	2	3	6	12	25	25
Bolton	22	6	1	4	18	15	0	5	6	4	14	24
Cambridge	22	5	4	2	16	13	0	2	9	7	21	21
Burnley	22	4	2	5	18	16	1	1	9	13	26	18
Derby	22	2	5	4	12	17	0	5	6	10	19	16

DIVISION THREE

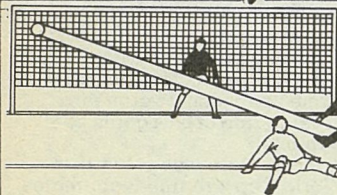
	P	K	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Lincoln	21	10	0	1	36	7	5	1	4	12	12	46
Portsmouth	22	9	0	2	24	10	4	4	3	13	16	43
Huddersfield	22	9	3	0	35	10	3	3	4	10	13	42
Cardiff	22	9	1	2	1	9	4	2	5	18	23	42
Oxford	21	5	5	0	20	10	6	1	4	18	14	39
Bristol R.	23	9	2	1	36	10	2	3	6	16	21	38
Newport	22	7	3	1	2	10	4	2	5	15	16	38
Plymouth	22	9	0	2	18	10	1	4	6	14	25	34
Brentford	22	8	2	1	30	11	1	4	6	19	26	33
Bradford City	21	6	4	0	22	12	2	3	6	12	21	31
Southend	22	6	2	2	21	11	3	1	8	12	19	30
Gillingham	22	6	1	4	14	10	3	2	6	10	13	30
Wrexham	22	6	3	2	15	8	1	4	6	6	22	28
Exeter	23	6	3	3	23	18	1	4	6	14	31	28
Bournemouth	23	4	4	3	15	11	3	2	7	7	28	27
Wigan	22	6	0	5	21	15	2	2	7	16	24	26
Sheff. Utd.	21	6	2	3	18	10	1	3	6	8	18	26
Orient	22	5	2	4	21	22	2	1	8	4	25	24
Chesterfield	23	3	2	6	13	13	2	5	4	10	15	22
Reading	23	3	3	2	15	0	4	8	15	33	22	
Walsall	22	4	3	4	11	14	1	4	6	15	25	22
Preston	22	3	6	2	16	11	2	0	9	14	28	21
Doncaster	22	4	6	1	29	22	0	1	10	6	25	19
Millwall	22	3	6	2	15	14	0	3	8	9	23	18

DIVISION FOUR

Hull	23	8	4	0	28	7	5	3	3	12	9	46
Bury	23	8	2	1	24	8	5	4	3	16	11	45
Port Vale	22	7	2	2	13	5	5	4	2	18	10	42
Swindon	22	8	0	2	20	6	4	6	2	11	9	42
Scunthorpe	22	6	3	2	17	7	6	3	2	14	9	42
Wimbledon	22	6	3	1	24	12	6	2	4	18	12	41
Colchester	22	7	4	0	20	4	3	2	6	10	15	36
Reading	21	8	2	0	24	10	2	3	6	9	18	35
York	22	7	2	1	31	14	1	6	5	9	16	32
Mansfield	22	5	2	4	11	5	2	2	2	5	14	20
Sheff Wed	22	6	2	2	22	2	2	4	2	11	11	33
Chester	23	4	2	6	12	22	4	3	1	11	11	29
Peterboro	21	6	2	3	16	11	1	5	4	7	11	28
Aldershot	22	6	2	3	15	13	1	5	5	12	25	28
Blackpool	22	6	5	1	19	9	1	1	8	8	20	27
Cardiff	22	6	3	2	17	11	0	1	1	10	11	30
Rochdale	23	6	4	2	18	11	0	3	8	8	9	23
Hartlepool	22	7	2	2	17	10	0	2	9	7	27	25
Tranmere	22	4	3	3	16	16	3	0	8	9	21	24
Halifax	21	4	4	1	11	5	3	3	5	15	18	22
Doncaster	21	3	5	5	11	1	2	2	7	13	23	23
Bristol City	22	5	5	1	12	16	0	2	1	10	11	23
Hereford	22	4	3	4	8	10	0	1	10	9	10	16
Crewe	22	4	2	7	12	21	2	1	8	8	16	15

KENNY DALGLISH

Liverpool and Scotland



Kenny Dalglish turns his marker and cleverly slips a second defender to score his second goal in Belgium.

BELGIUM 3, SCOTLAND 2

European Championship,
Brussels, Wednesday, December
15, 1982.

KENNY Dalglish provided the perfect answer to the pundits who had written off his international career following a disappointing World Cup last summer.

A sheer gem from the very top drawer of the Liverpool striker's jewelled horde of prized goals marked his recall to the Scotland team.

It was a goal that deserved to win a match of the highest importance. Alas, it was in vain as Belgium severely dented Scotland's chances of European Championship glory.

In the 34th minute Graeme Souness chipped a pass to his Liverpool team-mate. Kenny, in his inimitable style, lost one defender with a subtle swing of the hips, skipped inside another lunging challenge, and calmly floated the ball into the top corner from a narrow angle with his left foot.

**GOLDEN
GOAL!**

BARCELONA ROW OVER 'PLAYBOY' MARADONA

DIEGO Maradona, who could be out for the rest of the season through illness, has hit back following criticism of his 'playboy' lifestyle at Barcelona.

The club's players are supposed to be in bed before midnight but, on a visit to Paris, Maradona was seen out in the

early hours of the morning.

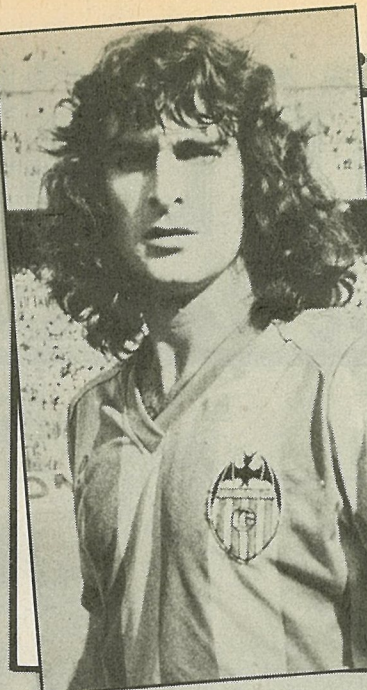
It led to a real battle of words between the gifted player and club chairman Nunez, but Maradona, nicknamed the 'night flyer' by fans, declares: "Nunez is not the person to organise my private life.

"In any case, I can honestly say I play better when I go to bed late."

The Argentinian superstar is not the only one to fall foul of Barcelona's strict rules.

His team-mate Bernd Schuster was fined £5,000 for missing training because he was late back from duty with the West German national side.

Chief coach Udo Lattek claims it was the fifth time Schuster had missed training — hence the size of the fine. But the Barcelona board had to step in to cool things down after the 22-year-old blond star threatened to quit the club unless the coach moved out.



TON-UP MARIO

ARGENTINIAN striker Mario Kempes (left), back to his best scoring form with Valencia, has notched his 100th goal in Spanish League football.

It came in Valencia's 1-1 draw with Sporting Gijon. His ton came up in just 154 games, a striking rate of 0.64 goals per game.

Meanwhile, one of his 1978 World Cup winning team-mates, Leopoldo Luque, has quit top class football at the age of 32. He is now playing local football near his home town of Santa Fe.



AS Dutch ace Arnold Muhren settles into his first season with Manchester United, his brother Gerrie is back in business in Holland — helping guide DS '79 on a promotion run they hope will see them back in the First Division.

Gerrie, one of the midfield gems in the great Ajax side in the early seventies, was reckoned by many experts to be finished after playing out his time in Spain.

But his present coach Hans Dorjee says: "Every time I see Gerrie play, I remember those great days at Ajax. The way he moves and passes the ball you could imagine he was still an Ajax star."

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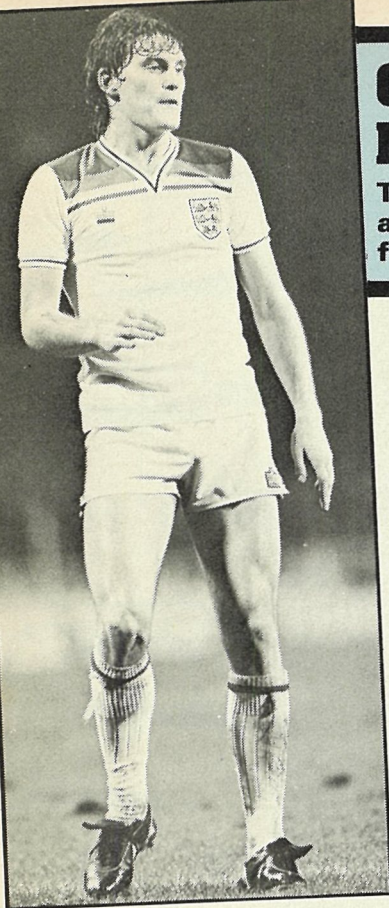


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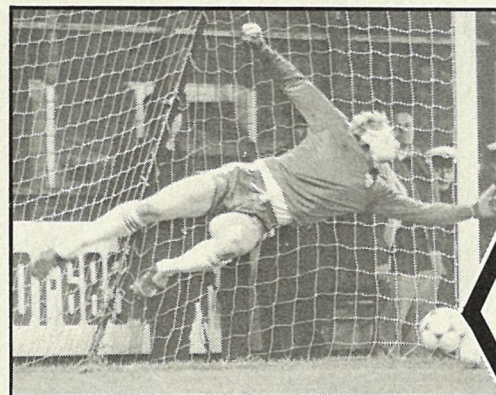
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